CLOSING UP COKE MERGER.

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COKE MERGER PLANS COMPLETE; FORMATION OF BIG COKE COMPANY.

May Be Called the Consolidated Connellsville Coke Company, But This Name Will Be Acted on by Operators.

FINANCIAL PLANS OUTLINED

A Sinking Fund of 17 Cents Per Ton Will Be Established to Take Care of Indebtedness—Good Profits Are Sure to Be Realized.

The Consolidated-Connellsville Coke Company will be ready to begin business October 1st as a corporation, and on or before December 1st as a coke operator. The plan of the coke merger has been submitted to the operators. The foregoing has been suggested as a name and may be adopted, though this has not been finally determined. The capitalization of the company will consist of preferred and common stocks and 5 per cent. bonds. For the payment of the bonds a sinking fund of 17 cents per ton of coke manufactured will be set aside, and 5 cents per ton will be set aside in a sinknig fund for the redemption of the preferred stock. The latter will pay 6 per cent. dividends regularly, and it is estimated that the common stock will pay from 6½ to 12 per cent. The securities of the corporation will be listed on the New York and Pittsburg exchanges and will be readily convertible into cash. The stock under ordinary conditions will be worth par and is confidently expected to command a handsome premium as the earning powers of the corporation become apparent.

Charles McKnight, the representative of the underwriters, under date of July 23, sent out a supplementary agreement, and a circular letter to the operators, and John W. Boileau, the field manager of the merger was here this week conferring with the operators and getting their signautres to this final paper.

The supplementary agreement provides that the purchaser and associates, immediately after October 1, will organize a Pennsylvania corporation for the manufacture and sale of coke which shall take titles to all the properties taken over. A holding company for the manufacture and sale of coke stock also will be organized, which will issue preferred and common stock sufficient, with the stock and bonds available, to complete payment for the property.

The purchaser shall have the right to deal with an underwriting syndicate for the sale of the bonds and to use common stock to assist in the sale of the bonds as required, which shall be part of the issue. The vendor will have the right to purchase any amount of the bond issue with the same stock bonus as is given by the underwriters. The preferred stock is to be redeemed out of a sinking fund of 5 cents on a ton of coke.

The company taking the title to the properties will issue 5 per cent. free of tax gold bonds, of which up to $15,000,000 may remain in the treasury as against an equal amount of bonds of sundry coke companies outstanding, to be exchanged as opportunity presents. All the remaining bonds shall be sold and the proceeds turned over to the vendors in part payment, less expenses of sale, etc., except $5,000,000 cash, which shall be placed in the treasury of the company for a working capital, cost of incorporation, etc. Any other bonds not so used may be paid to the vendors on account.

This shall not prevent having in the treasury unissued bonds, which may be taken out later for the purchase of new properties, extensions and new developments. Bonds shall be redeemed by a sinking fund provision of 17 cents a ton.

It is intended to put the stock and bonds of the new corporation on the New York and Pittsburg stock exchange, the promotors believing the securities on their merits will command par with only very ordinary business conditions and above par under fairly good conditions. The plants according to the present program, will be operated through an organization made up of the best of the present operators in the region, which takes in Fayette, Greene and Westmoreland counties, and, as insuring the value of the stock, the holders of stock will have the sole right to determine by their votes the character of the management.

Concerning the value of the merger stock, Mr. McKnight's letter says:

"As to the value of the stock offered as a part payment, careful estimates of earnings have satisfied the underwriters and bankers interested that, at the average selling price of coke for the past eight years, the preferred stock will yield 6 per cent. dividends and the common stock about 9½ per cent. The effect of the merger should add enough to the selling price of coke in fairly good times to make the dividends about 12 per cent on the common stock. At prices well below the average of the past eight years, the common stock will earn 6½ per cent."

MONASTARY TO START.

With 125 Men Old Frick Plant Resumes Tomorrow.

With 125 men employed, the Monastary plant of the H. C. Frick Coke Company, will begin the manufacture of coke tomorrow, the extensive repairs made necessary because of the long continued idleness at the plant having been completed, and the plant having been put in shape for operating. Sufficient orders have been received to keep the plant going steadily for some months to come, and it is believed that the Frick company will not order it shut down again until it is shut down for good, following the removal of all of the coal. This will require several years, it is thought.

STEEL CORPORATION IN SECOND QUARTER

Shows Conservative Increase of 325,000 Tons—Iron Mill Trade Now Appears the Best.

NEW YORK, July 29.—The American Metal Market and Daily Iron and Steel Report says:

"The increase of only 325,000 tons in the Steel Corporation's unfilled tonnage during the second quarter would appear to indicate that the corporation was more conservative than has been generally assumed in booking orders at the low prices. It is not improbable, however, that the figuring of the June 30 total was itself conservative. The earnings reported for the quarter conform to the preliminary estimate with the usual closeness. It is somewhat surprising that the common stock dividend should be increased when a considerable part of the new construction program remains to be appropriated for.

"Wire products were advanced $2 a ton, effective Monday, this following a similar advance May 15, and carrying these products about one-third the way from the low point of May to the average of 1907. The next important advance is likely to be in merchant steel pipe, and will be one point, or $2 a ton, effective next Monday. Steel bars are getting more squarely on the $1.30 basis and plates and shapes on the $1.40 basis, putting these products $2 a ton above the level to which they first dropped on the February 18 break, but leaving them $6 below the 1907 level.

"The steel car strikes and the tin plate labor troubles affect Steel Corporation tonnage by something like 3,000 tons a day, in plates, shapes, bars, axles and sheet bars.

"The American Tin Plate Company claims to be running all its nonunion mills and 24 of those from which the Amalgamated Association walked out June 30. The Amalgamated Association does not admit more than 10 of the 24, and claims an eight-mill non-union plant besides. The respective claims are therefore 114 and 92 mills, against 202 operated in June.

"Some of the independents are making the greatest output in their history, while the trade as a whole is doing the best of the year. New business is relatively light, but amply sufficient to support production, with the strong basis furnished by specifications hitherto booked.

"Pig iron is quiet but very firm in all markets, while Southern has advanced 50 cents, to $13, Birmingham."

KEYSTONE MINERS TO PICNIC AT OAKFORD

Monster Crowd Expected for Sixth Annual Outing of Men Who Compose Big Coal Industry.

The sixth annual outing of the employes of the Keystone Coal & Coke Company will be held at Oakford park near Greensburg today. If possible a better time has been planned than for any ever before held. Preparations have been made to look after the comfort and amusement of between 20,000 and 30,000.

Two brass bands will furnish the music. Dancing will be enjoyed afternoon and evening, with music furnished by Kettering's orchestra. The sports will begin in the morning at 10 o'clock. The theatre opens at 1.30, with performances in the afternoon and evening.

The picnic is an annual event greatly enjoyed.

ONLY SLIGHT GAIN IN COKE PRODUCTION BUT FRICK COMPANY IS SUFFERING FROM A SHORTAFE OF MEN AT PLANTS.

Estimated That the Company Is Now Operating 90 Per Cent. of Its Ovens and Would Place Them All In Blast; Indepeudents Not Participating in Boom and Prices Continue Low.

Coke production, the number of ovens in and out of blast, shipments and almost everything pertaining to the trade was stationary during the week closing July 24. There were small gains in the number of ovens in blast in the two regions, and in production, but there was a slight decrease in the number of cars shipped. The latter is accounted for in the increased capacity of the cars due to the bringing into the region of the new steel 50-ton cars. While the number of cars passing over the Youngwood scales is reported by the Pennsylvania railroad as being smaller than the previous week, the tonnage is higher, indicating that the era of the big car in the coke trade is here.

Of the 21,519 active ovens in the Connellsville region proper, 20,029 were burning during the week, 4,530 were idle, and coke to the extent of 253,175 tons were manufactured. The Lower Connellsville region with 13,927 ovens had 10,245 ovens active and 3,682 idle, producing 132,277 tons, both regions aggregating 385,452 tons, an increase of 1,027 tons over the previous week. This was a slight falling off in the Connellsville region and a proportionate gain in the Lower Connellsville region.

The shipments were 1,023 cars compared to 12,401 the previous week, and the falling off in shipments indicated that the Pittsburg district were not the heaviest buyers as only 4,155 cars went to that secton, compared to 4,342 the previous week. The Western and Eastern shipments were also decreased in point of cars, although the tonnage reports indicate that practically the same number of tons were carried.

With a production of nearly 400,000 tons per week the trade is assuming its former position previous to the coke slump, but this by no means indicates the capacity of the region. Taken all in all it does not nearly affect the independent interests in but a slight degree, the increases in production and shipments being almost entirely confined to the Steel corporation interests.

It is well to remember that upwards of two years ago the Frick company began extensive alterations, rebuilding of plants and the construction of new plants and the production of these new plants is now coming into the market, and while the production is now high, almost to the high tide of production in the region, the independent producers are but slightly affected, and the prices they are receiving are remarkably low in the face of the heavy tonnage that is being reported.

PRODUCTION.

For the week ending Saturday, July 24, 1909.

Districts.	Ovens.	In.	Out.	Tons.
C'ville.	24,519	20,029	4,520	253,175
L. C'ville.	13,927	10,245	3,682	132,277
Totals	38,476	30,274	8,202	385,452

MANUFACTURED.

District	By Consumer.	For Market
Connellsville	218,857	34,278
L. Connellsville	51,186	81,091
Totals	270,113	115,369

Previous Week.

Districts.	Ovens.	In.	Out.	Tons.
C'ville.	24,539	20,018	4,501	262,246
L. C'ville.	13,927	10,081	3,846	122,179
Totals	38,476	30,129	8,347	384,425

MANUFACTURED.

District	By Consumers.	For Market
Connellsville	218,016	44,230
L. Connellsville	47,671	74,508
Totals	266,584	117,841

SHIPMENTS.

Aggregate from both regions in cars for the week ending July 24.

To Pittsburg	4,155
West of Pittsburg	7,398
East of Connellsville	870
Total	12,423

Previous Week.

To Pittsburg	4,342
West of Pittsburg	7,247
East of Connellsville	812
Total	12,401

[For complete tables of ovens in blast in both regions see pages 2 and 3.]

The region is not producing nearly its capacity which could easily go to 600,000 tons per week, with all the ovens that are now available. There are hundreds of new ovens in the region that are not producers, some that have never turned out coke.

The independent operators have shared but little in the boom that is on at present while the Steel corporation's ovens are pressed to their capacity.

It was thought that the coke drawing machines would lessen the labor difficulties and meet all labor shortages, these have not taken up all the duties of workmen, and there is a pronounced demand for workmen at nearly all the plants and at several plants superintendents are only awaiting the application of men to increase the number of ovens in blast. A superintendent was asked "Is there a real labor shortage?" The instant and prompt reply was, "Well, I should say so, I'll take as many men as you can send me." The difficulty appears to be that any one who has ever worked about a coke yard always aspires to be a miner and they watch with greedy eye the opening that may take them into the earth to dig the dusty diamonds that fill the coke ovens and comes out with a silvery finish.

This summer is well advanced without a water famine being reported at any plant. It has also been remarkable thus far for its high temperature and no sickness has been reported. The hottest days the coke drawers have been at work.

Upwards of 68 to 70 per cent. of the independent plants are working, while the percentage of the Frick coke company runs up to 90 and it would be greater than this if enough workmen could be secured. As official of the company declares that they will operate in full as soon as conditions warrant which is taken to mean when a full force of men can be secured, ovens are being fired as promptly as they can be manned, while at some old plants the company is hauling coal to make coke.

There is an excellent demand for foundry coke, 122,000 tons being shipped during the week, the quotations being $2.25 and $2.50 per ton. Furnace coke is quoted at $1.75 and $1.85, while there is contracting for small lots at a lower price. Some smelter coke from the Lower Connellsville region is reported at $1.45 and some a shade lower. It is the high sulphur grade and cannot be considered alongside the better grades of furnace coke. Operators say that a fair quotation for the week is $1.75.

While the demand for foundry coke is heavier than usual the price is strong it is attributed to the fact that a lesser amount of this is being manufactured at this time. Where plants are running full it is only a weekly occurrence to manufacture this grade, while when they were being operated at infrequent periods the coke was allowed to burn longer and the higher grade of coke manufactured. It is said that even a smaller amount of foundry coke will be manufactured this week than in previous weeks.

Much depends upon the coke merger now forming. There appears to be no doubt that it will become an accomplished fact, and it was stated today that much of the inactivity of independent operators at the present was due to the fact that they desired to know the result of the merger. There is some effort at contracting on the part of brokers, but most of the independent operators have refused to tie themselves up until they know whether the merger deal goes through or whether they are to shift for themselves again.

FRANKLIN TWP. COAL IS SOLD.

Christian and Wade H. Echard Conclude Deal for Five Acre Tract.

TO BUILD 36 OVENS SOON

Entire Proposition Has Cost Them $30,000 so Far—Company to Be Organized to Develop the Proposition, Deyarmon Cleans Up.

UNIONTOWN, July 24.—The sale of a five acre tract of coal in Franklin township has been announced by T. Robb Deyarmon, who disposed of this reservation under the Shearer farm to Christian and Wade H. Echard. The price is understood to have been $1,500 an acre. The tract is located near Tippecanoe.

The coal was purchased to get better access to a ten acre tract to the northwest, which was purchased by the same parties some time ago.

It is understood that outside capital will be interested and a company formed to develop the coal. A bank of 36 ovens will be built and a mile spur to the P. V. & C. tracks laid. A drift mine will be opened.

The development of the coal has been an expensive proposition. The original 10 acre tract cost $15,000, after it was found necessary to purchase the surface, 175 acres in all, costing $7,500. This last purchase of five acres cost $7,500; making the entire cost $30,000.

Mr. Deyarmon optioned the Shearer tract less than a month ago and is said to have made considerable on the deal. The coal is of excellent quality as shown by a number of tests recently made.

$39,000 COAL DEAL BY CHARLEROI PARTIES

They Buy Large Acreage In Morris Township, Greene County, for Early Developments.

A deed was admitted for record at Waynesburg, Greene county, for quite an extensive coal deal. Some months ago the Joseph E. Barnes interest in the Nineveh block was sold at sheriff's sale and purchased by John A. Deunan of Washington, and was later purchased by William J. Kyle of Waynesburg. Mr. Kyle sold the interest to George W. Dawson, Robert C. Mountser, W. E. Potter, Edward F. Kramer and others, principally of Charleroi. The interest was in 95 tracts which enter into the Morris township coal block. The price paid was $39,906.

The coal is located principally in Morris township with a few tracts in Richhill and embraces 9,000 acres in roun dnumbers. The block is owned by a number of persons, and is regarded as one of the best blocks in Greene county. Chemical analysis has shown it to be of splendid coking quality, and is situated in the line of the prospective railroad development.

At various times the matter of developing this block by its owners has furnished an interesting theme of discussion by them, and some day Waynesburg people with home capital may be found engaged in the coal business an denriching themselves by the development of that line coking coal above mentioned.

SUPPLY COMPANY.

To Have Seven Stores in Western Pennsylvania Towns.

It is reported that a new supply company is forming at Atcheson, to have a supply store in Smithfield, Fairchance, Uniontown, New Salem, Brownsville, Connellsville and McKeesport. It is to be a co-operative company with a capital of $50,000. Those interested in it are J. K. Rader, F. B. Miller, A. Lang, O. H. Roderick, of Gans; H. R. Sackett, of Smithfield and W. W. Parshall of Uniontown.

COAL DUST TEST BY EXPLOSIONS.

Mine Expert Declares That Gas Alone Is Not So Very Dangerous.

EXPLOSION WHEN WITH DUST

Marked Difference in Explosive Character of the Dust Taken From Different Mines—Bituminous and Anthracite Dust Compared.

The results of important tests of coal dust and gas from different mines made by experts of the United States testing station at Arsenal Park, Pittsburg, on Saturday, would indicate that there is no great danger in mine gas. One test was of mine dust and gas from the Wehrum mines where 17 miners were killed, and 16 injured, of whom four died later. The other was a test of anthracite dust from the mines of the Lehigh Coal Company in the Lehigh valley.

The test of the coal dust at the Wehrum mine of the Lackawanna Coal & Coke Company was made in the presence of the officials of that company and four State mine inspectors. Those of the company officials present were Chief Engineer James, Assistant Engineer Hulett and Superintendent Johnston, the latter having lost his son in the accident at the mine. The State mine inspectors present were Joseph Williams, Alexander Montieth, Joseph Knapper and T. S. Lowther.

The results of these tests showed that coal dust from the Wehrum mine placed in the exploding gallery, and gelatine dynamite and black powder being fired into it from a cannon, caused a violent explosion, even when there was a total absence of mine gas. This, it is said, merely proved the fact which is being disputed more or less all the time that coal gas of itself is not explosive. The officials departed satisfied with the showing made.

The most interesting features of the tests, however, remained to be shown to the officials and representatives of the Lehigh Coal Company, when anthracite coal dust was handled. The hard coal dust was placed in the gallery and to it was added 4 per cent. mine gas of the character found in the anthracite mines. When fired with a flameless powder there was no explosion whatever. The next test was made with black powder and instantly the dust ignited and the flame extended for fully two-thirds of the length of the gallery, the most extensive "inflammation" that the experts at the testing station had as yet witnessed.

In discussing this matter later, the government officials at the testing station said that the tests thus far with anthracite coal dust have not shown any similarity in results. In other words, the anthracite mine dust seems to differ in explosive qualities in the different mines and under varying conditions. In the past no such effect as that demonstrated yesterday had been secured. At no time is the anthracite dust so explosive as the bituminous dust, neither does the effect of the explosion in the anthracite mine spread so far as in the case of the bituminous mine and is, consequently, less dangerous to life and property.

After the testing of the dust alone and with gas and with flameless and flaming powder and other explosives, the experts gave an exhibition of safety lamps, showing the various forms of lamps under test. They also operated the safety devices for rescue work. The visitors were kept busy taking in the different features of the mine tests until early in the afternoon, when they started for their homes in Wehrum.

Owing to the curtailment of the appropriation by Congress for pursuing studies all along the lines this year, the station has had to give up its fuel tests and is devoting most of the time to mine explosive study and the testing of materials which have an important bearing on the vast construction work of the government.

YOUNGSTOWN COMPANY BUYS COKING COAL

Fifteen Hundred Acres in Dunkard Creek, Greene County Field, Brings $550 Per Acre.

The Youngstown Steel Company of Youngstown, Ohio, has bought from J. V. Thompson, of Uniontown, a tract of 1,500 acres of coal land located in the Dunkard creek section of Greene county, the price being $550 per acre, including the surface, the deal amounting to $825,000. The Youngstown concern is closely affiliated with the Brier Hill Coal & Coke Company, which has 470 ovens at Brier Hill.

The coal has been tested for coking and proves good, but as there is no railroad, the development will be deferred sometime. Mr. Thompson has owned the coal for sometime, and made a handsome profit on its sale.

It is said that Mr. Thompson has purchased the coal of the Stires Blackledge farm, near Rice's Landing, from the Monongahela Coal & Coke Company at $500 per acre. Options have been taken on coal near Jefferson for $500 per acre. The approaching coke merger has caused an increased activity in Greene county coal and all that is needed for a boom is the presence of a railroad.

LITTLE KANAWHA EXTENSION

Is Said to be Going to Walkerville to Connect With Coal & Coke R. R.

What is considered of great importance was a semi-official statement made at Parkersburg Friday that the Little Kanawha railroad syndicate is preparing to extend its lines to Walkerville, W. Va., there to connect with the Coal & Coke road and securing an easy outlet to the lakes for the coal fields of interior West Virginia.

This new lines and the Virginian Central, the Rogers line, may be competitors to the Baltimore & Ohio and other railroads which heretofore have carried the greatest part of the tonnage from the West Virginia coal fields.

Humbert's Prospects.

Antonio DePompe, a merchant and contractor of Pinkerton, has recently completed the construction of a railroad extension and siding for the use of the Humbert Coal Company, and says that the prospects for a larger and better business at Humbert are encouraging.

EXPERTS TESTIFY THAT 80 PER CENT. OF COAL IS RECOVERABLE.

Important Testimony Given in the Case of Mrs. Elizabeth Moore Against Naomi Coal Company.

MINE PROPERLY OPERATED

Owing to Peculiar Conditions Confronting Men There a Lesser Amount Was Taken Out But All Agree That There Was But Slight Waste.

A rather unique suit and one involving many important questions of interest to the mining industry all over the country was begun at Uniontown Monday morning. It is an action in equity involving almost a million dollars, wherein Mrs. Elizabeth Moore of Greensburg, is the defendant and the Namoi Coal Company, a subsidiary company of the United Coal Company is the plaintiff.

Mrs. Moore who owns the coal tract sometime since went into court and asked that the lease of the Namoi Coal Company be nullified and the lease forfeited. The coal company asked an injunction preventing Mrs. Moore from carrying out the provisions, and after many ramifications the case came again for final adjustment before the court in a suit in equity.

The claim set up by Mrs. Moore is that the Naomi Coal Company is mining the coal in a negligent manner, whereby she is the loser of large sums of money. She claims that where from 90 to 95 per cent. of the coal should have been mined and paid for by the company but 50 and 60 per cent. of the coal has been taken out, this the easiest portion to mine, causing her a loss of 3,000,000 bushels of coal, for which in a recent amended statement she claims $75,000.

Only three witnesses were examined at the first day's trial. F. R. Knight, a mining engineer who had charge of the measurements and planning of the work in the mine since January 1, 1909, said that it was a part of his duty to see that all the coal was taken from the mine that could be removed wth safety to the mining property and to life.

H. B. Moore, a draughtsman, was on the stand many hours explaining maps and blue prints of the various locations inside an doutside the mine. He testified that up until August 1, 1908, when Mrs. Moore began her suit the old map had been used in the operation of the mine. In no instance had he any knowledge of coal remaining unmined except where ribs were allowed to remain to protect the roof of the mine. Where the roof had been properly supported the ribs had been carefully trimmed of all available coal.

Chief Engineer Smidt of the Naomi Coal Company said that the working of the Naomi mine was a hard proposition because of the strata of limestone overlaying the coal. In some places it was gauged at from 80 to 125 feet thick, making an extremely dangerous roof. He had taken every precaution to prevent cave-ins which might cut off a large acreage of coal that it could never be mined. When Mrs. Moore claimed a forfeiture of the lease of the company on August 15, 1908, the mining methods had been changed according to her views. The road was moved over to run along side the ribs instead of through the center of the headings. This was a greater expense as men had to be employed to "pick" mine the ribs and draw the pillars. Men he said had to be worked over time and on Sunday to get out this coal.

Charles W. McKay, a well known mining engineer, stated that he had visited Naomi mine and those in the vicinity for the purpose of testfying in the case. He found that some ribs had been abandoned but said that the coal had been comparatively well cleaned up. He did not think that having the track in the middle of a room or alongside the rib had any great bearing on the saving that could be effected in this method of mining.

Walter Calvery, general manager of the Berwind-White Company at Windber, testified to the roadway in the mine having been changed, and stated that he favored the plan as productive of more coal. He was a believer in thicker ribs and narrower rooms, the ribs in his opinion should be 15 feet and the rooms 25 feet wide. He did not believe that there had been unnecessary waste.

M. H. Francis, chief engineer at the Vesta mine of the Jones & Laughlin Company, near California, Pa., said that the Vesta mine was the only mine in the Pittsburg district that now has its tracks in the middle of the rooms. He took measurements in the Naomi mine and found that the vein there averaged 5 feet 7 inches. In mining a vein of this character he said that a small proportion was left for a bottom, that portion being practically unmarketable. In good times the bottom coal is dug and mixed with

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FRICK VETERANS MEET AT OAKFORD

Twenty Year Men Entertain Lavishly at Oakford Park.

FULLY 700 WERE PRESENT

The Coke Boom Prevented Some of Them From Being There—But the Big Coke Concern Was Well Represented.

The annual picnic of the Frick Veterans' Association, made up of men who have fought to forward the fortunes of the H. C. Frick Coke Company, for more than 20 years, was somewhat lessened in its numbers this year, when they assembled, with their families and friends at Oakford Park, Westmoreland county, last Thursday. The boom that is on in the coke trade, particularly with the Frick company, which had the biggest part of its ovens going in full blast, prevented many from leaving the mines and coke yards. The 63 big stores of the Union Supply Company in Fayette, Westmoreland and Allegheny counties, which is well represented in membership were open and the managers could not well get away. But there was about 700 present, and everyone had a delightful time. Six special cars were run on the West Penn railway and carried the folks out of the region, while the steam cars also had a part of the traffic.

Men, women and children made the park merry with their pleasures, and the dinner that was served showed that the women had been running their kitchen ovens full turn, that the production was up to the standard of the coke country cooking, and the consumption showed a very lively demand for inner furnace fuel. Those that did not bring baskets were served with dinner at the eating pavilions, which had been engaged by the veterans. After dinner the male members sent up clouds of tobacco smoke that made surrounding residents think a coke plant had been started up. Kettering's orchestra furnished music for dancing.

Henry C. Frick who is the only honorary member of the association, was unable to be present, on account of business engagements. President Thomas Lynch, a member, was absent as he and his family were to start for the west that day.

Among the guests were two candidates for judicial honors in Westmoreland county, Charles O. Crowell, Republican candidate for Judge, and Lucien W. Doty, who seeks reelection on the Democratic ticket. Chester D. Sesenichm, President, and Louis S. Malone, Secretary-Treasurer of the Irwin Foundry & Machine Company, were also among the guests of honor.

Prominent among the Frick officials present were Auditor C. F. Parker and H. D. Coble, of Scottdale; J. Howard Gregg and W. J. Askins of the Pittsburg offices; A. L. Keister, President of the First National Bank of Scottdale; District Attorney Davis W. Henderson, of Uniontown, and Dr. A. S. Hagan, of Uniontown.

There was a baseball game in the afternoon in which the Superintendents tried conclusions with the veterans, who won out by a score of 7 to 5. The teams lined up as follows: Veterans, W. C. Mullen, p; I. W. Anawalt, c; Robert Ramsey, 1b; John Hensel, ss; P. J. Cowan, 2b; Patrick Locke, rf; P. J. Tormay, lf; M. L. Hays, cf; V. Yahner, 1b. Superintendents, George Hahn, 1b; Rahl Warnock, c; C. Farson, 2b; Ab. Pollins, 3b; Charles Franks, ss; Charles Butts, cf; Ben Boyd, p; John Ramsey, rf, and James Henderson, c.

Patrick Mullan and W. C. Mullan, both well known speakers entertained at 2 o'clock with a debate on "Growing Sumac in Southern Virginia." Patrick contended that it could be grown quite profitably and endeavored by a fitting plea to convince W. C., who strongly negatived each and every utterance. After 45 minutes wrangling the bout was decided a draw.

The Frick Veterans Association was organized at a meeting held in Connellsville in February, 1906, and includes superintendents and others that have been with the concern for 20 consecutive years. The roster of membership is as follows:

P. J. Tormay, superintendent of Trotter works; J. W. Hunsell, bookkeeper at Redstone mines; W. A. Todd, chief shipper, of Scottdale; C. A. Ritchey of Masontown; P. J. Locke, superintendent of Leith works; J. C. Keck, store manager, New Salem store; J. A. Cowan, superintendent of Moorewood works. J. A. Barnhart, chief clerk, Scottdale; W. C. Mullan, superintendent of Continental No. 1; P. Keller, Treasurer of the Frick company, Pittsburg; Hugh Coll, retired, Easton, Md., former superintendent Trotter and Mt. Pleasant Water Company; James Lynch, superintendent of Valley and the Broad Ford branch; M. L. Hayes, of Scottdale, store manager, Valley store; J. M. Skiles of Uniontown; V. W. Yahner, assistant to the chief shipper, Scottdale office; S. M. Pigman, store manager, Standard store; C. H. Spence, retired, Pittsburg, formerly General Agent; Thomas Lynch of Greensburg, President of the Frick Coke company; J. A. Childs, superintendent Jusiata works; H. A. Fisher, bookkeeper at the United works; J. Howard Gregg, Pittsburg, Frick Car Accountant; J. E. Crisswell, Mt. Pleasant, bookkeeper of the Mt. Pleasant Water Company; W. J. Askin, chief accountant, Pittsburg offices; James W. Anawalt, of Pittsburg, President of the Union Supply Company; W. S. Ramsey, superintendent of Buckeye works; Hugh Close, manager of the Buckeye store, and Robert Ramsey, superintendent of the United works.

The officers are W. A. Todd, Scottdale, President; P. J. Tormay, of Trotter, Vice President; J. A. Barnhart, of Scottdale, Secretary-Treasurer. The association has two social meetings every year, and a reception and dance in the winter and the picnic in the summer.

COAL AND COKE NOTES FROM MANY LOCALITIES.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company is rapidly making ground for great new yards at Kiskiminetas Junction. It is said that car works will also be located there.

Two hundred miners employed by the Verner Coal Company at Bulger have struck against having $1 for married men and 75 cents for single ones taken from their pay envelope each month to pay the company physician, and came out last week. The Verner mine started up but a few months after a long shutdown.

E. L. Sternberger and associates of Jackson, O., have bought a large tract of coal back of Williamstown, W. Va., and will begin operations there soon, the coal mined to be used in the Pittsburg and Cincinnati districts.

Samuel B. Gray, son of Yardmaster Joseph Gray of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Youngwood, has passed the examination of the State Medical Board permitting him to practise medicine.

P. P. Glenn of Scottdale, one of the veteran mining experts of this region, has charge of the firing up of the Frick plant at Summit, where the ovens have been out of blast for a long time.

Since coal operations at Casselman have diminished only one teacher is needed for the schools there. Roscoe Shanks of Rockwood, has been elected to the place.

William Anderson, aged 44, weighmaster of the Vesta Coal Company, at Vesta, died from Brights disease on Friday. He is survived by a wife and three children.

Nearly 50,000 acres of coal land have been opened after seven years of preliminary work in the vicinity of West Point, O., and the first shipment has been made over the Youngstown & Ohio railroad. It is claimed that there will be a great deal shipped to Youngstown manufacturing plants, with a corresponding falling off in shipments from Western Pennsylvania.

Charles Kill had the stenographers of the United Coal Company, and their escorts out on an excursion on his launch to the Ella mine of the company above Monongahela on Sunday. Captain J. I. Boyd acted as pilot.

The concrete walls for the Government locks on the Monongahela river at Brownsville have been completed.

In the weekly statement of coal and coke originating on the Pennsylvania lines east of Pittsburg and Erie for the week ending July 17 there is shown a total of 1,064,370 tons of coal and coke, while last year at the same time there were only 848,500 tons, a considerable increase. For the year ending July 17 there are 27,282,181 tons, while to the same time in 1908 there were only 24,065,428 tons.

Dr. J. A. Diddle, aged 65, physician for the Coke Coal Company, near Meadow Brook, Clarksburg, W. Va., died in a hospital there from apoplexy, on Thursday night.

Justice of the Peace J. Q. Truxal and W. F. Overly of Greensburg, and D. C. Rumbaugh of Mt. Pleasant, spent several days at Avella, Washington county, looking after matters of interest connected with the Penobscot Coal Company in which they are interested.

EXPERTS TESTIFY.

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the better grade. He was of the opinion that this bottom coal could not have been marketed during the past 18 months on account of the dullness in trade. Only the best coal, he said was accepted.

In years gone by Mr. Francis testified, 60 per cent. of the coal recovered was thought good, but the progress in mining methods has increased this and 80 or 85 per cent. in his opinion was the maximum now recovered in the majority of the mines. He said that 7,000 bushels of coal had been taken out of a three-fourth acre tract in the Vesta mines.

E. L. Morris, superintendent of the Naomi mine for several years and now inspector for the several mines of the company, of which Naomi is one, was called upon to give his views as to the methods of mining carried on at Naomi. He testified that the limestone rock above the coal in Naomi mine is so heavy that it does not break when ribs are drawn and that for this reason the chain pillars and studs could not be drawn, because there was a heavy and additional weight resting upon them. Many rolls of slate cross this particular mine, more than in any other that he has knowledge of. They attain a height of 2½ feet in some places and then slope off gradually on each side and the coal in their vicinity is left unmined. As to the condition of the mine he said that it was good.

James Henderson, who had been mine superintendent at Naomi mine from August 1, 1907, to July 2, 1908, testified that there might be many "safe systems" of mining, but so far as he knew none had ever been discovered. He confirmed previous witnesses as to methods of mining and waste incident to the quality of the coal. He said there was six inches at the bottom which was thrown away when mined and an effort had been made not to mine it, upon the assumption that if it was marketed it would destroy the company's market for coal. This custom, he said, was in force in all the river mines. The slate bands were of the same composition as the bottom coal. His contention was that the thicker the vein the heavier the ribs must be. It was developed that all the mines of the River district, with the single exception of Naomi mine had the tracks placed at the side of the rooms. The tracks at Naomi were changed after the explosion occurred there. The witness thought the track at the side of the room was the better plan.

P. Y. Cox, an inspector, was the leading witness Wednesday. He stated that the Naomi mine would compare favorably with any of the mines in the fourth pool and in respect to ventilation was above the average. He said he found no unusual waste in the mine, but took occasion to deplore the great waste that is always found in American mines. He said that to recover from 75 to 80 per cent. of the coal would be better than the average.

Mr. Cox questioned the accuracy of the maps which had been presented, in regard to the ribs. These were not uniform, he said, as marked on the map.

When asked regarding the fact that certain sections had been abandoned and were worked over again after this suit had begun, Mr. Cox said it was not unusual to abandon one section of a mine and then go back to it later.

Austin King of Scottdale, a Frick inspector, gave testimony along a similar line.

LIST OF COKE OVENS IN

The Connellsville District

With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, July 24, 1909.

Total Ovens.	In Blast.	Name of Works.	Name of Operators.	P. O. Address.
261	231	Acme	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
80	.....	Acme	Penn Coke Co.	Uniontown
276	225	Adelaide	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
200	252	Alverton No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
104	104	Alverton No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
90	80	Atlas No. 1	Cambria Steel Co.	Dunbar
337	360	Baggaley	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
182	130	Beatty	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
120	.....	Bethany	Majestic Coke Co.	Uniontown
200	300	Bitner	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
81	74	Bourne	Wharton Furnace Co.	Uniontown
120	120	Boyer	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
240	240	Brinkerton	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
216	150	Buckeye	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
30	.....	Brush Run	Brush Run Coke Company	Mt. Pleasant
220	210	Calumet	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
77	40	Carbon	Keystone Coal & Coke Co.	Greensburg
32	32	Carolyn	Peebles-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
370	300	Central	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
54	26	Chester	E. A. Humphries & Co.	Scottdale
100	100	Clare	Clare Coke Co.	Greensburg
108	73	Clarissa	James Cochran Sons Co.	Dawson
120	120	Coalbrook	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	400	Collier	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	400	Continental No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
326	326	Continental No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Continental No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
120	120	Crossland	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
333	333	Davidson	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
40	.....	Dexter	J. R. Stauffer & Co.	Scottdale
230	230	Dorothy	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50	.....	Dunn	Dunn-Connellsville Coke Co.	Brownsville
40	40	Ellen No. 1	Wheel Coke Co.	Uniontown
60	24	Ellen No. 2	Wheel Coke Co.	Uniontown
60	50	Elizabeth	Unity-Connellsville Coke Co.	Greensburg
218	218	Elm Grove	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
48	.....	Enterprise	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
186	136	Fort Hill	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
75	.....	Foundry	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50	50	Franklin	Lincoln Coal & Coke Co.	Scottdale
100	.....	Frick	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
101	.....	Gilmore	Gilmore Coke Co.	Uniontown
106	106	Grace	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
272	272	Hecla No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	400	Hecla No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Hecla No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
60	50	Hecter	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Masontown
120	80	Henry Clay	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50	.....	Home	Stauffer & Wiley	Scottdale
382	330	Hostetter	Hostetter-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
100	.....	Humphrey	Bessemer Coke Co.	Pittsburg
250	225	Juniata	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
20	.....	Junction	Marietta-Ganter Coal & Coke Co.	Connellsville
306	306	Kyle	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
600	600	Leisenring No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
600	600	Leisenring No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
104	450	Leisenring No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
303	303	Leith	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
127	200	Lemont No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
150	350	Lemont No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
20	20	Little Sunshine	King Coke Co.	Uniontown
32	.....	Love	C'ville-Mutual Coal & Coke Co.	Scottdale
45	.....	Madison	United Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
40	40	Magee	Magee Coke Co.	Uniontown
208	85	Mahoning	Cambria Steel Co.	Dunbar
610	450	Mammoth	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
100	100	Marguerite	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
20	20	Marion	Marion Coke Co.	Udell, Pa.
40	.....	Marthabel	Northern Connellsville Coke Co.	Connellsville
265	120	Morgan	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
270	224	Mt. Braddock	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
100	100	Mt. Pleasant	Mt. Pleasant-Connellsville Coke Co.	Greensburg, Pa.
40	40	Mullen	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
115	115	Mutual	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
32	32	Myers	Brownfield-C'ville Coke Co.	Uniontown
329	329	Nellie	Brown & Cochran	Dawson
252	252	Oliphant	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
328	328	Oliver No. 1	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
480	480	Oliver No. 2	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Oliver No. 3	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
105	80	Painter	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
489	292	Paul	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
25	.....	Pennsville	Pennsville Coke Co.	Pennsville
15	.....	Percy	Percy Mining Co.	Percy
400	350	Phillips	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
186	80	Rainey	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
448	400	Redstone	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
650	552	Revere	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
26	.....	Sapper	Shannon Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
110	110	Semer-Solvay	Dunbar Furnace Co.	Dunbar
42	.....	Shannon	Shannon Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
36	.....	Shirey	South Fayette Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
448	400	Sheaf	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
625	450	Southwest No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
232	160	Southwest No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
200	120	Southwest No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
151	100	Southwest No. 4	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
61	61	Spring Grove	Cochran Bros.	Dawson
501	700	Standard	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
30	.....	Sterling No 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
155	111	Stewart	Stewart Iron Co.	Uniontown
121	.....	Summit	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
40	40	Thomas	Whyel Coke Co.	Uniontown
56	45	Tip Top	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
464	464	Trotter	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
32	.....	Tyrone	American Coal Mining Co.	Pittsburg
70	.....	Union	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
350	350	United	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
251	150	Valley	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
80	80	Veteran	Veteran Coke Co.	Greensburg
200	150	White	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
355	270	Whitney	Hostetter-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Wynn	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
600	600	Yorkrun	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
240	240	Youngstown	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg

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HOW IRON AND STEEL LEADS

In Region Surrounding Pittsburg-Allegheny District Iron and Steel Products Amount to $142,779,114. Coke and Glass $43,000,000.

Dealing with the principal industrial districts of the United States, and prepared under the direction of William M. Steurt, Chief Statistician, the bulletin just issued by the Bureau of Census has much of interest to this section of the country.

It is shown that manufacture centers about cities, and that in importance the New York district stands first, the Chicago district second, and the Pittsburg-Allegheny or local district in a third class.

There is a departure in classifying the products by districts instead of classifying them under specific indusrties. This gives an idea of the importance of the various industries in various sections, instead of giving the value of the different lines of industries alone. The bulletin has been prepared to show such data for 13 industrial districts for the years covered by the censuses of 1900 and 1905.

The area of the Pittsburg-Allegheny district is 195 square miles and its population in 1900 was 623,342. The number of manufacturing establishments in 1904 was 1,859, and they employed 119,839 persons and put out products valued at $383,490,468. The iron and steel industries are the predominant ones in the district, and these produced an output valued at $233,371,972, or 60.9 per cent of the total value of the manufactures of the district. Foundry and machine shop products came second, with a value of $24,436,440 in 1904. Over four-fifths of the power of the district was used in the various branches of the iron and steel industry.

In the region surrounding the Pittsburg-Allegheny district, iron and steel products to the value of $142,779,114 were manufactured, making a total of $376,151,086 for both district and surrounding places. The coke and glass industries had aggregate products valued at nearly $43,000,000.

The value of the products manufactured in Pittsburg and Allegheny decreased 3.2 per cent, but the value of the outside places centering about these cities increased 41.6 per cent.

B. & O. WILL CANCEL KANAWHA AGREEMENT

Syndicate Property, Valued at $10,000,000, To Be Divided Among Three Companies.

The Little Kanawha railroad, now operated as a part of the Baltimore & Ohio system, is to be turned back to the Little Kanawha syndicate and the holdings of the latter are to be divided among the Pennsylvania, Baltimore & Ohio and the New York Central. Officials of the latter three lines held a meeting a few months ago for this purpose, but action was postponed pending the return of prosperity.

Plans for a division of this property were made public yesterday in connection with the denial of the report sent out from Parkersburg, W. Va., that the Little Kanawha railroad is to be extended to Walkerville, W. Va., to connect with the Coal & Coke railroad. Officials of the Pennsylvania at this time will not say how the property is to be divided, but it is officially announced that a settlement of some kind is to be made in the near future.

About four years ago, the Baltimore & Ohio, New York Central and the Pennsylvania, jointly, purchased the holdings of the Little Kanawha syndicate for about $10,000,000. Joseph Ramsey, former President of the Wabash, was at the head of the syndicate at that time. The object in buying the syndicate holdings was to block George J. Gould and his associates in building the proposed tidewater connection.

On June 1, 1907, an agreement was made whereby the Baltimore & Ohio was to operate the Little Kanawha railroad. While the company is receiving a large amount of business from the syndicate line, the fixed charges are said to be entirely too high and for this reason the Baltimore & Ohio is said to have advised the other interested lines that it desires to cancel the operating agreement.

In the division of the syndicate property it is understood that most of the existing railroads and proposed lines will be turned over to the Pittsburg & Lake Erie, while the Baltimore & Ohio and Pennsylvania will receive the major portion of the coal and timber properties.

Isabella Furnace Starts.

The third and last of the Isabella furnaces of the American Steel & Wire Company resumed operations Friday after a shut down of nearly two years.

THOMPSON PAYS $100,000.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., July 23.—That he pays $100,000 in taxes on coal properties in four counties — Monongalia, Greene, Marion and Wetzel — every year, was the statement made by J. V. Thompson of Uniontown, before the Board of Review and Equalization at the hearing accorded coal land owners by the Board yesterday.

WHYEL BROTHERS BUY THE WEAVER COAL

Acquire Another Tract Adjoining Property in Westmoreland County—Other Coal Deals Made.

The Whyel Coke Company of Uniontown, of which George and Harry Whyel are the controlling spirits, have bought another large coal tract adjoining their holdings in Sewickley township, Westmoreland county, which they lately bought from Ezra Highberger. The deed for the tract was recorded at Greensburg on Friday on the sale of 76 acres of the seven foot Pittsburg vein by Anna E. Weaver for $62,000.

By deed dated July 16, A. M. Cunningham of Brownsville conveys to Dr. R. B. Blair of Waynesburg, 47½ acres of coal in Jackson township; consideration, $4,275.

By deed of E. C. Higbee of Connellsville to F. E. Markell of same place, dated April, 1909, 20 acres of coal in Morris township, Greene county, are conveyed; consideration, $2500.

By deed dated July 10, 1909, J. L. Wood and F. W. Downey of Waynesburg convey to J. W. and A. G. McMullen of Uniontown, a seven-twelfth interest in 115 acres of coal in Jackson township; consideration $6,703.72.

By deeds dated July 10, Jermelia and Elizabeth McClain, Rebecca M. Dowlin, A. M. Cunningham, Charles Rex and Frances M. Sharpnack convey coal under small lots in the borough of Rice's Landing to J. V. Thompson of Uniontown, at the consideration of about $480 per acre.

CHARLEROI MEN BUY GREENE COAL LAND

Nine Thousand Acres in Morris and Richhill Townships, Greene, and Finley, Washington County.

CHARLEROI, July 24.—A deed has been admitted for record at Waynesburg, Greene county, for quite an extensive coal deal in which local men figure. Some months ago the Joseph E. Barnes interest in the Ninevah block was sold at Sheriff's sale and purchased by William J. Kyle of Waynesburg. Mr. Kyle sold the interest to George W. Dawson, Robert C. Mounster, W. E. Porter, Edward F. Krahmer, L. Collins, C. L. Van Voorhis and W. H. Reese of Charleroi and others from other places. The interest was in 95 tracts which enter into the Morris township coal block. The price paid was $39,905.

The coal is located in Morris and Richhill townships, Greene county, and East Finley township, Washington county. It embraces 9,000 acres in round numbers. The block is owned by a number of persons, and is regarded as one of the best blocks in Greene county. Chemical analysis has shown it to be of splendid coking quality, and is situated in the line of the prospective railroad development.

LARGE CONCRETE SHAFT CONTRACT NOW LET

Isabella-Connellsville Coke Company Will Have Two on Their New Property in Luzerne.

The Isabella-Connellsville Coke Company, through its engineers, George S. Baton & Company, has let the contract for two concrete lined shafts at its No. 1 plant. Both shafts are to be used for hoisting coal, the main shaft for charging the ovens, 500 of which will be located at this plant, and the air shaft for shipping coal.

In addition to a large air compartment the air shaft will have two hoisting compartments, making t the largest concrete shaft in the region. The contract was let to Heyl & Patterson, of Pittsburg, and it is provided that the shafts will be complete this fall. Both shafts are to be oval in shape and to be lined from top to bottom with concrete.

The No. 1 plant is located near Arensburg, on the Monongahela railroad, in Luzerne township, Fayette county, and is one of the three plants being erected by the company. These plants are to be equipped with modern machinery and are being pushed so that they will be able to produce coke early next spring.

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Total Ovens.	In Blast.	Name of Works.	Name of Operators.	P. O. Address.
40	......	Adah	Adah Coke Company	Uniontown
32	......	Anica	Kaine & Wilkey Coke Co.	Uniontown
32	32	Annamyra	John R. Carothers	Uniontown
138	......	Atcheson	Republic Iron & Steel Co.	Gans
20	......	Baxter Ridge	Baxter Ridge Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
100	100	Bridgeport	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
470	470	Brier Hill	Brier Hill Coke Co	Brier Hill
20	......	Browning	Browning Coke Co	Uniontown
50		Brownsville	Brownsville Coke Co	Brownsville
426	126	Buffington	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
30	......	Burchinal	Smithfield Coal & Coke Co.	Smithfield
205	187	Century	Century Coke Co	Brownsville
40	......	Champion	Champion Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
24	......	Coffman	South Fayette Coke Co.	Uniontown
500	500	Colonial No. 1	Colonial Coke Co	Pittsburg
30	......	Colonial No. 2	Colonial Coke Co.	Pittsburg
156	......	Colonial No. 3	Colonial Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Colonial No. 4	Colonial Coke Co.	Pittsburg
142	90	Cyrilla	Rocks Coal & Coke Co.	Masontown
120	20	Crystal	Sackett Coal & Coke Co	Smithfield
250	250	Dearth	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
240	240	Donald No. 1	Consolidated Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
162	84	Donald No. 2	Consolidated Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
30	30	Dorothea	Iron City Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburg
44	24	Dorothy	Jacobs Creek Coke Co.	Uniontown
52	......	E. Connellsville	E. Connellsville Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
601	450	Edenborn	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
149	149	Edna	Waltersburg Coke Co	Uniontown
80	80	Eleanor	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Masontown
32	32	Emory	South Fayette Coke Co.	Uniontown
200	150	Fairbank	Struthers Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
32	9	Finley	Jas. Byrne & Co.	Scottdale
400	375	Footedale	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50	50	Francis	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Masontown
80	40	Fratts	South Fayette Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
31	20	Garwood	Dunlap-Connellsville Coke Co.	Connellsville
58	......	Genuine	Genuine Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
493	462	Griffin Nos. 1 & 2	Bessemer Coke Co.	Pittsburg
100	100	Herbert	Connellsville Central Coke Co	Pittsburg
60	60	Hoover	James H. Hoover	McClellandtown
38	8	Hope	Hope Coke Co	Uniontown
100	......	Hustead	Hustead-Semans Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
200	......	LaBelle	Labelle Coke Co.	Labelle
220	220	Lafayette	Atlas Coke Co	Helen
462	462	Lambert	H. C. Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
516	516	Leckrone	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	400	Lincoln	Lincoln Coal & Coke Co	Scottdale
250	81	Low Phos.	Connellsville Central Coke Co.	Pittsburg
100	......	Marion	Southern Connellsville Coke Co.	Connellsville
194	150	Martin	Woodside Coke Co	Pittsburg
202	100	McKeefrey	McKeefrey Coal Co.	Leetonia, Ohio
253	100	Millsboro	Bessemer Coke Co.	Pittsburg
60	......	Murphy	Eckard Coal & Coke Co.	Star Junction
30	......	Newcomer	Newcomer Coke Co.	Newcomer
32	24	Old Home	W. J. Parshall	Uniontown
450	400	Orient	Orient Coke Co.	Uniontown
34	34	Parshall No. 1	Puritan Coke Co.	Uniontown
168	168	Parshall No. 2	Puritan Coke Co.	Uniontown
30	......	Perry	Perry Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburg
72	......	Plumer	Plumer Coke Co.	Uniontown
393	250	Republic	Republic Iron & Steel Co	Uniontown
120	56	Rich Hill	Rich Hill Coal & Coke Co.	Oliphant
350	350	Ronco	H. C. Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
155	120	Royal	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
358	350	Starlight	Taylor Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
260	160	Shamrock	Fayette Coke Co.	Uniontown
100	100	Solon	Prospect Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
290	52	Sterling	Consolidated C'ville Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
160	121	Thompson No. 1	Thompson-Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
240	120	Thompson No. 2	Thompson-Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
150	......	Teresa	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Masontown
145	145	Tower Hill No. 1	Tower Hill Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
261	156	Tower Hill No. 2	Tower Hill Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
160	......	Virginia	Consolidated C'ville Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
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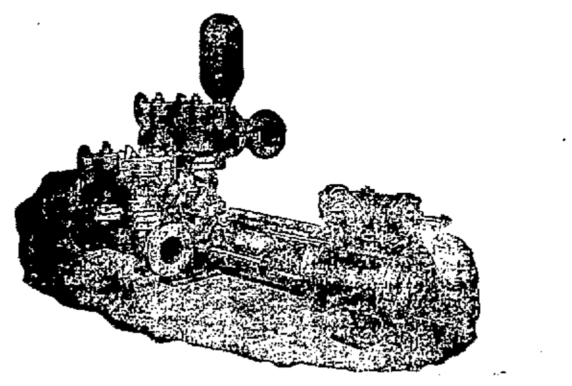
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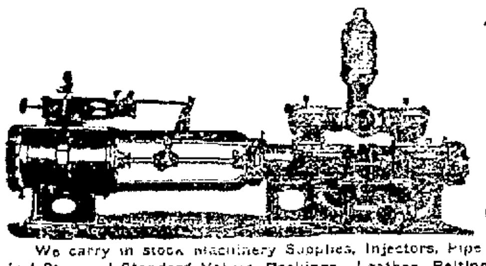
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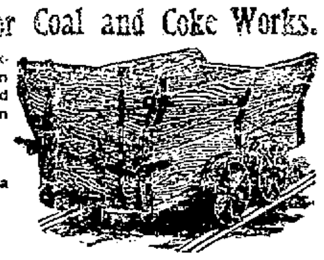
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Looking Backward.

News of the Past Condensed from the Files of The Courier

Week Ending Friday, July 25, 1879

Town Council considers grading Pittsburg street from Main street south to borough line

Marietta brothers erecting a dwelling and store room on Pittsburg street.

B & O Railroad buys a much needed express wagon

Pastor John A Danks receives nine new members into M E Church

Oliphant furnace shut down for repairs

Connellsville B & L Association sells 11 lots

John Thomas superintendent and Frank Fitzpatrick mine and 13 year old son injured by explosion of fire damp in Ocean mines, Moore's Station latter dies

Engine 730 nearly destroyed in wreck that killed S F Pritchard again in commission

Spiritualistic seances being held in Connellsville

Cole's circus advertises an electric light as first to be shown since its invention

Thermometer at noon for last seven days averages 94 6 7 degrees

Ironclad Manufacturing Company of Scottdale ships 60 000 iron shingles

Flour $6 10 a barrel, silk mitts $[illegible] a pair

Week Ending Friday, July 19, 1889

Union Supply Company has 11 stores in the region

Reading Railroad proposes to reach Pittsburg by a line through Connellsville

Cokers Convention at Scottdale formulates a wage scale based on $1 per 100 bushels for mining and demand a scale conference or they will strike August 1

Connellsville coke region has 13 987 ovens 11 083 in blast with a production of 113,0[illegible] tons of coke for the week

H C Frick Coke Company absorbs Connellsville Coke & Iron Company with 1 [illegible]00 ovens and 100[illegible] acres of coal J M Schoonmaker Coke Company buys Youngstown works

L M Newcomer sells Scottdale Tribune to ex Representative John R Byrne who will run it a a Knights of Labor weekly

D G Anderson's warehouse David F Stoner's stable and J B Brinkley's house are destroyed and several dwellings damaged by fire at Scottdale

After wrangling and long delay Johnstown Relief Committee begins turning over money to sufferers

Week Ending Friday July 21, 1899

Unprecedented boom in the coke trade, breaking all records in the region Every available oven is fired and operating six days Shipments largest ever made in one week Furnace coke $[illegible] and foundry coke $2 80 18 696 ovens in the region 18 08[illegible] in blast with a production of 130,79[illegible] tons

First evidence of a trolley line from Connellsville to Mt Pleasant seen in Scottdale when steel rails are laid along Broadway which is to be paved

Town Council demands a purer water supply for town

W J Raines will build 100 new ovens near New Haven

So much building in town that much of it will be uncompleted when winter comes

June and July rains threaten rotting of potato crop

Youghiogheny river the high[illegible] in many years

Flour $4 50 a barrel

Seventeenth regiment disbands

PLANS AND POSSIBILITIES OF THE COKE MERGER

The latest developments in the Connellsville coke merger indicate quite clearly that it has passed the doubtful point and that there will be a practical unification of the business of manufacturing Connellsville coke for the market Eliminating the interests which are tied up in the settlement of estates the independent Connellsville coking operations outside of the consolidation will be insignificant

The capitalization of the company will be above rather than below the original estimates Its securities will consist of preferred and common stock and bonds and a peculiar feature of them is that the common stock gives promise of being the most profitable Sinking funds are provided for the retirement of the bonds and the preferred stock and there is every reason to believe that they will both be eliminated earlier than anticipated in the present calculations in which even the common stock will represent the entire ownership of the property and will yield fine returns Aside from this however it is expected that the common will pay handsome dividends immediately and continuously

We see no good reason why it should not The merger will be in a position to support the market and prevent unprofitable prices in periods of depression We have always held to the view that Connellsville coke has no business selling at less than $2 per ton no matter how dull the iron and steel trades may become and we still hold to this view yet what is the situation to day? With the iron and steel trades virtually all booming and prices advancing, coke remains under $2 per ton simply because the operators lack organization Were they now united, the price would be anywhere from $2 50 to $3 00 per ton, where it will doubtless jump when the merger is completed and begins doing business

The supplementary agreement contains a clause requiring the operators to keep out of the coke business in Fayette Greene and Washington counties for a period of years This requirement or something similar, was in the original options but was we believe eliminated from the second supplementary agreement. It is evidently now reinserted not so much because the merger managers fear competition in coke making but because of a desire to retain within the merger all the best talent and wisest experience possible to be had

It's one thing to buy the plants and another to operate them

COKE MERGER OBSTACLES BEING SMOOTHED AWAY

When the Devil was sick
The Devil a Saint would be
When the Devil got well
Devil a Saint was he

With apologies to the Connellsville coke operators who are just now balking on the coke merger plan the couplet fits their cases pretty well

When prices were ruinous when the bedeviled operators were wondering how they could meet their obligations when the present was threatening and the future dark when the independent manufacturers had exhausted every effort at combination within themselves when they sighed in vain for a consolidation that would rid them of their unfortunate situation, the coke merger burst upon their sickened souls and despairing visions like a bow of promise in the heavens Eagerly they embraced it, enthusiastically they sung its praises joyously they hailed it as their deliverer from galling conditions and impending calamities

With a change in conditions for the better many of them who see daylight ahead have in their optimism concluded that they are better off without membership in the merger and in order to rid themselves of it they are inclined to impose unreasonable conditions We fear they fail to comprehend the fact that all seasons are not prosperous and that in time of peace it is wise to prepare for war

If the coke business is good under present conditions it will be better under merger conditions if the profits of independent operation are liberal those of consolidation will be further augmented by a more economical production and more stability and more strength in prices In separation there is weakness in union strength

It is somewhat surprising that any considerable number of operators should want to be paid the full amount of their option prices in cold cash and step down and out of a business which cannot fail to be more profitable as a consolidation than it now is as an Aggregation of Competition which judging from past experiences may in the future under the influence of trade depression become a War of the Survival of the Fittest

If it is surprising to an onlooker it is probably suspicious to the underwriters They doubtless reason among themselves that if the investment is as good as represented by the coke operators themselves the latter should be only too willing to take all the interest therein they possibly can The underwriters are willing to furnish in cash at least half of the $60 000 000 or $65 000,000 required and they naturally think the operators should retain as much interest in the business as they sell No other industrial combination has required relatively half the cash the underwriters are ready to furnish for the coke merger

Moreover the underwriters are bankers not manufacturers They have neither the time nor the experience to handle the merger after it has become an industrial proposition They regard its success as being in a large measure dependent upon the good management of the skilled men now engaged in the Connellsville coke business and their knowledge of human nature tells them that the best efforts of management come from those who are interested in the success of the business beyond a mere salary

The proposition is so reasonable and plain that the reluctance of the operators to accept the conditions cannot be explained on any other hypothesis than that they suspect the appraisements have been in some measure inequitable The appraisers are reputable men and the reflection is unwarranted but it may be argued that honest men sometimes make mistakes and then there is the fact that the appraisers were chosen by the underwriters

But the operators have now virtually chosen an appraiser of their own a man of approved judgment and integrity and if his report can be reconciled with that of the other appraisers which seems probable there is no reason why the merger should not be promptly consummated and it may be added that if it is consummated on the basis proposed it will be the fairest and the most substantial merger ever made in the industrial world and that it will pave the way to something greater and better

THE NAOMI MINE CASE AND ITS LESSONS

The Naomi mining case will probably set a standard of mining in the Pittsburg coal region and in that respect will be a valuable deliverance

It is alleged on the one hand that the lessees of the mine are mining the coal in a careless, negligent and unworkmanlike manner at variance with economical modern mining practise and on the other hand, this allegation is positively denied A cloud of expert testimony along this line will be introduced There can be no great dispute about the facts since they are readily ascertainable from the data required by law to be kept and from the observations of the witnesses

The question, therefore, resolves itself into this What are the duties of the lessee of coal property concerning the proper removal of the coal?

It will be conceded that the primitive methods of mining in the Connellsville region which in many instances consisted in hogging the pit are not permissable on the part of present day operators working on a royalty but just how far in the direction of modern equipment and operation the lessee is reasonably required to go must perhaps be judged by circumstances for example unless especially understood the lessee should not equitably be required to replace an old equipment with a new one any more than a tenant should be required to rebuild the house he rents

The Naomi case illustrates the importance of drawing mining leases carefully

CHIEF RODERICK'S NEW MINE REGULATIONS

Chief Roderick of the State Department of Mines whose bill for the more stringent regulation of coal mining in Pennsylvania was defeated in the last Legislature chiefly because the Connellsville operators made earnest protest against it on the score that the existing mine laws were sufficient for all purposes if they are properly enforced is going to take the operators at their word He has issued a circular letter to the inspectors commanding that the law be henceforth rigidly enforced without fear or favor

Chief Roderick began this reform by shifting the mine inspectors about He adds to it by directing the inspectors to see that the mines have ample ventilation that explosives are confined to those approved by the Pittsburg testing station that the use of black powder is eliminated in all non gaseous mines [illegible] to be of doubtful safety that electric wires be removed from mines where locked safety lamps are required and finally that the operators be compelled to sprinkle all dusty mines at regular intervals

The head of the mining department seems determined not only to strictly enforce the present mining laws but to add materially to them by regulations of his own promulgation All regulations that seems reasonable should however be closely followed whether demanded by the letter of the law or not

THE HYPNOTIZATION OF MOTHER EARTH

The persistence of seismic disturbances during the past several years moved The Courier to make the suggestion that they were probably due to the fact that the earth was passing through some disturbing influences from other [illegible] or [illegible] A prominent member of the French Astronomical Society views the question in a similar light [illegible]

[illegible]

During critical stages of planetary [illegible] in the [illegible] pressure [illegible] strengthened [illegible]

[illegible] secondary [illegible]

The explanation is perhaps more elaborate than comprehensive but in a general way it means that we are within the influences of some new forces which compose his stupendous world system of which the earth is but an insignificant part It means in short that Mother Earth is hypnotized

We will hope however that she will get away from this bad company as soon as possible and resume her natural tranquility

HENRY C FRICK, MAP MAKER

A modern and centrally located railway station is promised to Pittsburg by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and the location was made possible at this time by the foresight of Henry C Frick who acquired the old Cathedral property some years ago and held it apparently for this purpose

When Pittsburg has constructed her subways to the East End as she soon must do the union station or its vicinity will be the natural terminal

With the coming of the new station Pittsburg is promised the going of its unsightly and inconvenient Hump and a new business center will be created for the Smoky City

It begins to look as if Henry C Frick was about to change the map of Pittsburg sufficiently at least to make the Frick building the center of the town

A NEGLECTED BRANCH OF FOREIGN BUSINESS

Uncle John Wanamaker has invested in a French Count for his grand daughter The Count seems to be good stock and we hope the bride will be happy in her choice

The announcement of the engagement, however suggests the thought that our modern department stores which sell everything from a wash board or a sideboard to priceless furs and lace betray an unaccountable lack of Yankee enterprise in not having long ago installed a department for the sale of foreign titles to Anglomaniacs

We venture the view that nothing would be more attractive than a window display of dukes earls, counts lords and barons pedigreed and tagged for the inspection of American Social Climbers The department store which installs such a line of goods will have the most profitable specialty ever put upon the American retail market

The investment would be small and the profits large It would not be necessary to buy the goods outright They could be sold on commission just as well the only expense to the merchant being their proper maintenance pending sale

It would not even be actually necessary for the goods to remain all day on display Wax figures could take their places The originals could be sent out on approval to prospective purchasers

There is a great future in this business for the enterprising importer

THE SOMERSET ENCAMPMENT

The National Guard Encampment at Somerset is not a mere picnic of tin soldiers as it has been in times past There is some relaxation in it to be sure but there is also a great deal of hard practical work

Since the Tenth and other Pennsylvania regiments marched forth to real war on almost a moment's call the value of having a State militia under training for actual military duty has been better appreciated Gone are the gaudy uniforms that were once the pride of the wearers hearts and the envy of everybody else gone are the tinsel and the glory of display gone is practically all that was spectacular The aims and uniforms the training at home and in the annual encampments are all designed to make service men men who can march in dust and mud men who can shoot straight and who know how to obey orders

The old encampments were little more than dress parades and band contests and flirtations with the admiring ladies There may be some of these left in modern encampments, but they are the incidentals not the essentials The Somerset encampment no doubt has many pretty girls for visitors but it also has some veteran United States Army officers and experts who are there for the purpose of observation and suggestion

The Somerset Encampment is serving many excellent and useful public purposes and if the boys and girls can get any fun out of it on the side we feel sure that the patriotic public will not begrudge it to them

A CAPTAIN OF INDUSTRY WHO ROSE FROM THE RANKS

The death of Robert Pitcairn removes a prominent figure from Pittsburg business circles though not from the management of the great corporation which he ably assisted in promoting and whose fame arose almost wholly therefrom Several years ago he retired from active service

Commencing with Andrew Carnegie as a telegraph messenger boy both entered the railroad service and rose contemporaneously the canny Andrew being one lap ahead When he resigned as Superintendent of the Pittsburg Division to begin his career as a master steelmaster he was succeeded by Bob Pitcairn and Robby stuck to the job and grew up with the company

Uncle Robert as he later became affectionately known to the people of Pittsburg was one of the Captains of Industry who rose from the ranks whence they mostly rise and who maintained his position long enough to carve his name in bold and enduring letters high upon the walls of fame

His career should be an incentive to young men It is an example of what may be achieved by individual effort without the assistance of a rich father and a college education consisting chiefly of football and cigarettes

A NEW AND USEFUL ENGLISH PRONOUN

Thon is defined by the Standard Dictionary as meaning That one he she or it a pronoun of the third person common gender singular and [illegible] contracted and solidified form of That One nominative thon possessive thon's objective thon

Thon is a most useful word as a substitute in cases where the use of a restrictive pronoun involves either inaccuracy or obscurity or its non employment necessitates awkward repetition The following example illustrates the point

If Harry or his wife comes I will be on hand to meet him or her (or whichever [illegible] appears

Each pupil must learn his or her own lesson

With the substitution of thon

If Harry or his wife comes I will be on hand to meet thon (i e that one who comes)

Each pupil must learn thon's lesson (i e his or her own)

Thon supplies a longfelt want and we hope we will be pardoned if we make use of it occasionally The English language is far from perfection and English spelling is often an abomination Neither will be materially improved until aggressive pioneers trample down the undergrowth of prejudice and blaze a pathway through it

The assault on an innocent Uniontown man has not helped the cause of the B & O strikers and the cause would not have been helped any more if the victim had been a strike breaker The public does not approve of lawless strikes

The Connellsville coke merger will be a Pennsylvania corporation Another evidence of its waterless character Corporations seeking water always go to New Jersey or Delaware They want to get as near the ocean as possible

The National Conservation Commission estimates that the waste in coal mining is fully [illegible]0 per cent If this is the rule of mining the complainant in the Naomi suit has no case

Give people a pleasant word if you can't give them anything more substantial

The coke merger seems to now be a matter of final detail

Steel is on the uplift but coke remains sagging It needs a trust to back it

The Darr mine relief fund didn't relieve the company from the usual batch of damage suits

The patriotic citizens of Western Pennsylvania honored the memory of Arthur St Clair on Saturday and Edward Braddock a few days before yet the memory of Connellsville's greater patriot and greater martyr remains unhonored in the town he founded Such is the irony of fate

Coal dust has been recognized as one of the most common elements of mine danger hence the instructions of Chief Roderick to the Pennsylvania mine inspectors to compel operators to water it down

The Connellsville snowfall story was a cold blooded fake on the part of an impecunious newspaper correspondent

The coal land market is active probably in sympathy with the coke market

We are not sure whether we favor the Flying Machines or not We fear they will be great promoters of Free Trade

The Fayette hotelkeepers are going to take their outing on the water They want to [illegible] what it is like to be on a real Water Wagon

The murmuring Ohio sings sadly How Dry I Am

Anna Gould is raising a large crop of dukes and princes They will be a valuable investment for [illegible] declining year She can sell them off to aspiring American mammas

The sole survivor of the Marianna mine accident is said to be a saloon keeper proprietor He probably thinks he has a license to do anything

Judge Umbel intimates that those [illegible] the primary campaign were [illegible] two fers That settles it They couldn't have been campaign cigars

The new steel coke cars are pretty nearly big enough to haul a coke merger in

The by product coking business is gaining but Connellsville conservatism is still dubious about it

Political honors are being thrust upon Fayette county

Camp Hunt isn't hard for anybody to find judging from the attendance

Brownsville Township kicks against raising a cash road tax Some people do not want to give up a resting job

Strikes never pay

Some of the cantaloupes sold in the local market are neither cantaloupes nor sons of [illegible] to [illegible] their ancestry is [illegible] mingled with the cowcumber [illegible]

The Coke Merger isn't abandoned It's just being Boiled down a bit

The value of hotel property depends largely upon the license attachments

The business world anticipates a prosperity wave next year It can't roll in too soon or too high

Perhaps one of the most remarkable propositions recently put up to the Town Council was that of the eliminated postmaster of Old New Haven who asked that the borough buy his postoffice equipment now that he is submerged in the municipal merger The borough is not in the postal business neither is it running a second hand junk shop

Conservation and standardization seem to be the waterways watchwords now

Tin plate mills are resuming everywhere but in Connellsville Can this be because the Connellsville mill is set down as a union mill? If so it is a grave mistake There is no such union here There are no tin plate workers here The Connellsville mill is just what its owners choose to make it

The B & O strike has demonstrated that men will not live without good cooks

The big mortgages recorded in Western Pennsylvania counties by large coal development companies indicate that few big deals of this nature are cash transactions yet they are not unprofitable

It is enthusiastically announced that the brick road has come to stay and it would seem to be a reasonable conclusion in the light of our experience with paved streets but road conditions are somewhat different and perhaps experience will be the better test

The Wrights are cutting some pigeon wings in the air

A movement is afoot in Greensburg to procure funds for the erection of a monument over General Arthur St Clair's remains Perhaps if the Pioneers and Patriots come to their own Colonel William Crawford will some day be remembered and honored as his deeds deserve

It is alleged that Masontown was the victim of fire bugs All the more reason why the town should provide itself with modern fire protection

Coke cars are growing some and going more

The sale of a cemetery vault in Westmoreland county at bankrupt sale raises the interesting question whether or not the dead have any right to property It would seem that they should have a claim to that much soil

The Frick veterans took to the woods, too

CHAT WITH OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

The Grafton Republican points a moral from the experience of a couple of citizens fined for gun toting contrary to the new West Virginia law by observing that if the culprits had taken the newspapers they would have been informed as to the law It is the business of the State not the newspapers to promulgate the laws The newspapers do a large share of this work gratuitously but they do not do all of it nor should they be expected to do all of it or in fact any of it There is no interest in the country which works more earnestly for the people and is paid so poorly as the newspapers and it is largely their own fault The public spirit of publishers is so well known and understood that the legislator and the people lean constantly and heavily upon it heedless and careless of the fact that the publisher must live as well as other mortals What the press needs is a great big intelligence trust

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The Blairsville Courier objects to the action of the Town Council in establishing a schedule of printing and advertising rates and says that Council has no more right to attempt to regulate advertising rates than it has to fix the price of any other commodity That is true but it is also the right of the Town Council to refuse to pay an excessive rate for printing and advertising In fact it is the Town Council's duty to do so But in determining what is an excessive rate the Town Council should not be governed by its own caprice but by the rates established and paid in other sections of the country for similar service

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The Latrobe Bulletin has declared war on professional pedestrians It insists that the newspapers give them entirely too much free publicity and that they would be entitled to greater honor if they were engaged in some occupation whereby to earn their living by the sweat of their brows They seem to be earning their living in this particular manner but not in a manner which contributes to the public good

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The Washington Record protests against the $[illegible] tax on immigration and we would add especially at this season when labor is scarce in the country The immigration regulations [illegible] intended to prevent an influx of foreign labor at a time when it was most needed The regulation of immigration depends upon the desirability of the immigrants rather than upon their pocketbooks

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The Johnstown Democrat wants to know what Mine Inspectors are for if not to [illegible] to mine [illegible] mines [illegible] open [illegible] according to law That is one of their duties They have others equally important for example to see that the mine is operated according to law and the court records of Fayette county show that our inspectors are pretty actively on the job

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The Scottdale Observer thinks the Corrupt Practises Act does not remedy bribery and corruption at the polls and that it was probably never intended that it should Some people insist that no good can come out of Israel but it must be remembered that out of Israel came the Perfect Man

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The Greensburg Review suggests that there are at least three public monuments well [illegible] for women['s] work namely monument library and parks Here's an elegant chance for the ladies who have a laudable ambition to do something and be something

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The Charleroi Mirror is moved by the [illegible] of men in the coke region to suggest that the Australian plan of transporting workmen from one district to another free of charge be adopted here These would be Joy Rides of a proper sort

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The McKeesport Times speaks of the irony of [illegible] It's not irony its greasy

The Grim Reaper's Harvest of Death.

Nicholas Decker

Nicholas Decker aged 68 years one month and [illegible] days a resident of Connellsville for almost [illegible] years died Monday afternoon at [illegible] o'clock at his late home on East Fayette street following a four months illness of Bright's disease and other complications of diseases Mr Decker was able to be about during his sickness up until last Sunday night when his condition became more serious and he was compelled to take his bed He was in an unconscious condition from Sunday night up until the time of his death Mr Decker was born in [illegible]burg France May 25 1841 and was a son of Mr and Mrs Nicholas Decker He came to Connellsville in 1870 and remained here up until the time of his death He worked for a year at the cobbling trade with Jacob Weible at Pennsville Later he was employed on the coke yard at Morgan Station and at Davidson He worked for [illegible] years at the latter place Eight years ago he was pensioned on the relief fund Mr Decker was a staunch Democrat and always took a great interest in any movement made for the welfare of the town His wife Mrs Christina Decker was killed by a Pennsylvania train at the Fayette street crossing about three years ago

Mr Decker was a member of the Lutheran Church of the local Fayette Lodge Knights of Pythias and of the Odd Fellows of Dawson He was widely known and highly respected by his many friends The following children survive Mrs Richard Keffer Harvey Decker Mrs J H Lindsey of Connellsville and Mr Harry Seigfried of Philadelphia Funeral services were held from his late home Wednesday afternoon at [illegible] o'clock Rev George Deitz officiated The Knights of Pythias will attend the services in a body Interment in Hill Grove cemetery

Mrs Frances A Howard

Mrs Frances A Howard aged [illegible] years wife of [illegible] H Howard one of the oldest and best known [illegible] of Connellsville died Sunday at [illegible] o'clock at her late home [illegible] Tenth street Mrs Howard [illegible] in poor health for the past two [illegible] last Sunday she was stricken with pneumonia which resulted in her death She was conscious up until the [illegible] of her death Deceased was a daughter of the late William H [illegible] and Eliza White Linshaw and was born and reared in Baltimore county Maryland

Forty one years ago she was married in Baltimore to Photographer E H Howard In 187[illegible] they came to Connellsville where they have since resided She was the mother of five children three of whom survive Mrs Howard was a devout member of the Methodist Episcopal Church but owing to her sickness she had not taken any active part in church work for the past two years She was widely known and highly esteemed by her many friends Her mother died in Connellsville a number of years ago She is survived by her husband and one son Attorney Leslie A Howard and two daughters Miss Alletta Howard at home and Mrs Mary Port wife of Lee Port of Connellsville One sister, Mrs Mary Green of Connellsville township also survives.

Harry E Dunham

Harry E Dunham aged 38 years a well known conductor on the Pennsylvania railroad died Friday in the Allegheny General Hospital Allegheny Pa after a lingering illness of nervous prostration On May [illegible] he was removed to the hospital for treatment and despite the best of medical attention death relieved him of his suffering yesterday at noon Deceased was a son of Mr and Mrs J R. Dunham of Main street West Side and was born and reared in Vanderbilt Nineteen years ago he entered the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as a brakeman later being promoted to a conductor For some time past he ran out of Pittsburg to Altoona He never married Mr Dunham was well known among the railroad men and was a member of the B of R T and other railroad organizations

He is survived by his mother and the following brothers and sisters John K Fisher Dunham of Star Junction Franklin B Dunham of Philadelphia Mrs Estella Cummings of Glenwood Mrs H. M. Black of Loraine O Mrs J B Clifford of South Brownsville Mrs James Benton of Waltersburg Mrs Millard Ridgeway of Beaver Falls Mrs J L Miller of Connellsville and Seaton Dunham at home

Joseph Leech

WASHINGTON Pa July 24—Joseph Leech aged 86 years a well known retired farmer of Washington county died last night at his home near Buffalo Village Mr Leech was born near Uniontown Fayette county and came to Washington county shortly after being married to Elizabeth Down His first wife died in 18[illegible] and two years later he wedded Miss Mary J White who died last May Mr Leech was a member of the United Presbyterian Church He is survived by nine children [illegible] grandchildren and [illegible] great grandchildren The children are Joseph W of Fort Morgan Col Henry W and John D of Buffalo Pa Alvan V of Greensburg Nathaniel F of Buffalo Pa Mrs Sarah T Knox of Washington Mrs Margaret L Stewart of Canonsburg Mrs Janette A Lowry of West Middletown and Mrs Mary A Sawhill of Claysville

Thomas Rhoads

MASONTOWN Pa July [illegible]—Thomas Rhoads aged about [illegible] years died yesterday at his home here after an illness of about a week with dysentery He had been night clerk and watchman at the Hotel Jeroy ever since it was built and was formerly township constable for Masontown borough

The deceased is survived by his wife who was formerly Miss Alice Jackson, one daughter Eve wife of Thomas L Howard of Uniontown his mother Mrs Elizabeth Rhoads aged about 90 years one sister Mrs L W Sterling and four brothers A B Reuben David and James Rhoads all of Masontown The deceased was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church

Funeral Sunday at [illegible] o'clock from the church Services by Rev Calla[illegible] and interment in Ross Cemetery

Mrs Martha Jane Mitchell

Mrs Martha Jane Mitchell aged 75 years widow of the late Martin Mitchell of Ohiopyle died Friday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs Ida Kell No 5818 Hays street, East End Pittsburg following a several months illness Mrs Mitchell was born in Oakland Pa but moved to Ohiopyle with her husband shortly after her marriage and lived there until Mr Mitchell's death several years ago Since his death she has made her home with her children

She is survived by one son T M Mitchell of Ohiopyle and five daughters Mrs Ella Ault of Oakland Md Mrs Alcinda Sweeney of Mt Braddock, Mrs Charlotte Chuck of Ohiopyle Mrs Ida Kiehl and Miss Lillian Mitchell of Pittsburg

Mrs Jennie Kane

Following a lingering illness of stomach trouble Mrs Jennie Kane wife of Martin Kane a well known resident of Leisenring No [illegible] died Friday morning at 11 30 o'clock at her late home Mrs Kane resided at Leisenring for the past [illegible] years and had a wide circle of friends who will regret to learn of her death She was a member of St Vincent DePaul's Roman Catholic Church of Leisenring No 3

Deceased is survived by her husband one son John one daughter Cora one sister Mrs Alice Doyle, of New Castle Colo, and three brothers, Thomas Wilson of Seattle Wash James Wilson of Carbondale Wash and Robert Wilson of Mt Pleasant Funeral from the house Monday morning at 8 30 o'clock

Mrs Rachel Brown

Following a few months illness of complication of diseases Mrs Rachel Brown a well known resident of South Connellsville died Tuesday at an early hour at her late home Mrs Brown was a daughter of John Tissue of Confluence and was the wife of Robert Brown She is survived by her husband and the following grown children Charles, Leslie, William Mrs Harry Mahaney all of Connellsville and Mrs George Quick of Morgantown, W Va Three brothers John and Frank Tissue of Uniontown and Jack Tissue of Somerset and three sisters, Mrs Mary Cunningham of Uniontown Mrs Ella Sparks of Pittsburg and Mrs Sad[illegible] Humberson of Frostburg

Morgan Jones Sturgis

Morgan Jones Sturgis who was born January [illegible] 18[illegible] died early Tuesday at the home of his daughter Mrs H A Burchinal of Uniontown Mr Sturgis was almost a life long resident of Nicholson township

He is survived by one sister, Miss Mary J Sturgis of Smithfield and three children Mrs Andrew J Sutton of Smithfield Mrs H A Burchinal of Uniontown and Cameron C Sturgis of Nicholson township Mr Sturgis was father of the late O J Sturgis former editor of the Uniontown News Standard

Philip Roland

Philip Roland aged 7[illegible] years a well known resident of West Newton and well known in Connellsville died on Monday at [illegible] his home from blood poisoning caused by a healed tooth Mr Roland had resided in West Newton practically all his life He is survived by his widow and two daughters Mrs John Andy of West Newton and Mrs James Collins a former well known resident of Connellsville Mrs C M Ponce of West Newton is a granddaughter

Joshua Warmon

Joshua Warmon aged about [illegible]5 years a well known resident of Greenfield Dunbar township died Thursday in the Uniontown hospital where he was removed several days prior to his death He had been in poor health for a number of years Death was due to a complication of diseases

Mr Warmon is survived by his widow one sister Mrs Margaret Poppe of [illegible] and one brother Edward Warmon of Dunbar

Mrs Julia Ann Porter Scott

Mrs Julia Ann Porter Scott aged 78 years and well known in Connellsville died Sunday [illegible] at [illegible] the home of her son [illegible] D P Jones, No 120 Graham street East End Pittsburg

ROBERT PITCAIRN DEAD IN PITTSBURG.

Widely Known Railroad Man Passes Away at the Close of Day.

HAD BEEN ILL FOR WEEKS

Was The Guiding Hand in the Great Railroad System He Helped To Build—Had Many Local Acquaintances and Was Interested Here.

Robert Pitcairn, one of the best known railroad men in Western Pennsylvania and a director in the Title & Trust Company of Western Pennsylvania, Connellsville, is dead in Pittsburg, having passed away at 5.30 o'clock Sunday evening at his home Ellsworth and Amberson avenue, Shady Side.

At 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon he awoke from a short sleep and remarked about the beautiful day, and then again sank into a sleep from which he never awakened. He had been ill for several weeks.

Mr. Pitcairn was born at Johnstone, a village near Paisley, Scotland, on May 6, 1836, thus celebrating his 73rd birthday this year.

Mr. Pitcairn obtained his initial education in one of the little schools of his native village and when 10 years of age was brought to this country by his parents, the latter realizing that there were better chances for their children, of whom there were two other boys, in this land. Mr. Pitcairn again entered school after coming here, receiving in a short time a common school education.

His first regular position was obtained in 1848, when he was 12 years old, going to work in what was then called a "variety" store, the forerunner of the department store of today.

His life-long friend and boyhood companion, Andrew Carnegie, was at that time working in Pittsburg as a messenger boy, and he induced Mr. Pitcairn to give up his place in the store and take a position on the messenger force. This was really the beginning of the life which afterward turned out so brilliantly.

While running about town with messages, Mr. Pitcairn was wide awake and learned to operate a telegraph instrument, as his friend, "Andy" had done. This work was in the interest of the Atlantic & Ohio Telegraph Company. He soon became proficient in the use of the telegraph instrument and was one of the first men of the country to begin reading by sound.

He then went to Steubenville, O., as an assistant operator and telegraph line repairman. He was soon promoted to the post of operator on the Pittsburg & Cleveland line, when the old Ohio & Pennsylvania, now the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago railroad, was started. He was afterward given a place as operator for the Atlantic & Ohio Telegraph Company, for which he was formerly a messenger boy. This was a line running from this city to Philadelphia.

The railroad business always having an attraction for him, Mr. Pitcairn then sought a position with the Pennsylvania and was given the post of operator and assistant ticket agent at Duncansville, Blair county, Pa. This was in July, 1853. Since that time, 56 years ago, Mr. Pitcairn had been a Pennsylvania railroad man and highly honored in every position he ever held. His rise in the service from this position was rapid.

In 1862 Mr. Pitcairn was made superintendent of the Middle division and remained there until 1865, although during the war he had at several times charge of the Pittsburg division in connection with his regular duties. Although he had better chances for promotion in the place of superintendent of transportation he held to the post of division superintendent and managed, in 1865, to secure the appointment of superintendent of the Pittsburg division, a long cherished ambition.

With this newest appointment, he returned to Pittsburg and served the road for 10 years, at which time the general agency of the road at Pittsburg was added to the position he was then holding.

Mr. Pitcairn's best work was probably done during the Civil War, when he was in his prime and one of the real men of brains connected with the system. By his able management of the company's affairs the division and branches under him kept up an excellent record. For three months after the battle of Antietam he had charge of both the Pittsburg and Middle divisions of the road and for part of that time also was head of the Franklin branch, from Chambersburg to Hagerstown, and handled the movement of trains over the Cumberland Valley railroad.

In 1863, for about the same length of time, and during the battle of Gettysburg, he again had charge of the two big divisions in addition to his duties as superintendent of transportation. It was during the stirring times that Mr. Pitcairn demonstrated to his superior officers that he was able to cope with almost any trying situation which presented itself.

He was vice president and a director of the Westinghouse Airbrake Company. He was also vice president of the Fidelity Title & Trust Company and a director and officer in several banking institutions in Pittsburg.

Mr. Pitcairn is survived by his wife and his son, Robert Pitcairn, Jr., and three daughters, Mrs. Omar Decker, Mrs. V. L. Crabbe, and Mrs. Charles L. Taylor.

Mr. Pitcairn was a close friend of President L. F. Ruth of the Title & Trust Company and Mr. Ruth will attend the funeral in Pittsburg. Mr. Pitcairn was a stockholder in the Title & Trust Company, as well as a member of the Board of Directors.

LITTLE CHANGE OVER IN OLD GREENE COUNTY

Population is About the Same As in Former Years—None Leave But Those Who Die.

WAYNESBURG, July 26.—James McCracken, County Commissioners' Clerk, has forwarded to the Secretary of Internal Affairs a report of the condition of the county for the year ending June 1, 1909. The report shows that conditions in the county are about the same as they have been in the past few years.

Since there are so few manufacturing plants within the county the population is practically fixed. But few people leave the county during the year and but few come into it.

The report shows the number of resident taxables for the year to be 9,196. It also shows that the county contains 312,328 acres of cleared land while the valuation of the real estate in the county is placed at $33,961,952.

Other items contained in the report are: Number of horses over four years old, 7,123; number of cattle over four years old, 6,382; money at interest, $3,521,540; tax collected for school purposes, $101,540; tax collected for county and State purposes, $120,674.97; amount of dog tax, $5,036.50.

LOWER TYRONE TOWNSHIP TEACHERS

After Selecting The Corps The Salaries Are Fixed at the Same Rate As Last Year.

The Lower Tyrone Township School Board met Saturday afternoon and elected the following teachers for the ensuing year: Cunningham school, J. C. Hagerman; Gault school, William Gault, Taylor school, Miss Clade McCleary; Spring Grove school, Miss Blanche Strawn, of Connellsville; Clay school, H. B. Coder; Tyrone school, Miss Nelle Murtland; Hilltown school, room No. 1, Miss Pearl Mundorth, Principal, Miss Ethel Painter.

The salaries will be the same as last year, $45 for the first year, $50 for the second year and $55 for the third year. Teachers were elected for all the schools with the exception of the Cochran and Oakdale schools. The teachers are requested to meet with the directors at Dawson Saturday afternoon, August 14, to sign their contracts.

STERLING CANDIDATE FOR AUDITOR GENERAL

Pittsburg Paper Says That That He Will Be a Candidate on the Democratic Ticket.

According to a Pittsburg paper Friday, Bruce F. Sterling of Fayette county is slated as candidate for Auditor General on the Democratic State ticket. The convention will meet in Harrisburg on August 4. According to Pittsburg reports, the slate is to be C. La Rue Munson of Lycoming, for Justice of the Supreme Court; George W. Kipp of Bradford for State Treasurer and Bruce F. Sterling of Fayette for Auditor-General. Judge George B. Staples is also talked of for the Supreme Court nomination.

Mr. Sterling served one term in the State Legislature and is regarded by the Democrats as a strong man in this section. The ticket is well balanced, geographically, and those advocating its nomination say it would be in a position to make a good fight this year.

SUES ON NOTE.

Bank Says Men Who Gave It Have Not Made Good.

UNIONTOWN, July 22.—Rev. Father Ostazewski, the Polish Catholic priest who figured last winter in the troubles with the church banking system at Footedale, is named among others in an action in assumpsit, started yesterday as the result of some notes getting into their resting places without cash to meet them. The Metropolitan National Bank of Pittsburg through Attorney R. F. Hopwood, has filed its statement of claim for over $4,000, and names as defendants in the action St. Thomas' Roman Catholic congregation, with Rev. Ostasewski as pastor, and Marcin Hadata, Joseph Lukaczyski, Jan Kingoriel and Michael Szymerak as members.

It is claimed that on April 2, 1909, a note for $2,000, payable June 2, was made by the congregation, payable to the pastor at the New Salem First National Bank. It is claimed that Ostazewski realized on it at the Metropolitan, but that the note went to protest. Interest from date of maturity, together with $158 protest fees are also asked. Another note is alleged to have been given under similar circumstances.

B. & O. is Busy.

Exceptionally busy times have been noted in the freight traffic on the B. & O. for the last week.

HISTORY HUNTERS HAVE BIG DAY.

Locate Fort Ligonier and Visit Other Interesting Places.

THEY ARE WELL ENTERTAINED

Rev. George P. Donahoe of Connellsville Compares Braddock's Route With That of Forbes—Other Papers Are Read at Meeting.

LIGONIER, July 26.—Members of the Western Pennsylvania Historical Society enjoyed a most delightful day here Saturday. It was the opinion of Dr. W. D. McGowan, late of Ligonier, that a battle was fought on the hill northwest of Idlewild. Photographers were with the company, who snapped up all the pleasant nooks and corners of the park.

The company then proceeded to Ligonier, going directly and immediately to a point just below the place where the old fort was located. The company alighted from the cars and walked up the steep bluff, passed the old cave and then to the location of the fort. Squire J. M. Graham had a large chart at hand, from which John N. Boucher, Esq., of Greensburg, pointed out the location of Fort Ligonier, as exactly as could be obtained from the records of the British war department.

From "Fort Hill" the company walked to the old cemetery adjacent to the Presbyterian Church where rest the remains of Louisa St. Clair Robb, a daughter of General St. Clair. The grave deserves more care and attention than it has received in years gone by.

At 6 o'clock the company, to the number of 150, assembled at the Ligonier Springs Hotel for dinner. The proprietor, Arthur Winternute, had a splendid layout prepared for the occasion.

In the spacious dining hall speech-making was started. Rev. Geo. P. Donohoe of Connellsville, spoke on "Braddock's Route Compared With That of Forbes." Rev. Kemp of Turtle Creek, spoke on "Arthur St. Clair." Erasmus Wilson of the Gazette-Times, had for his theme the necessity of teaching the school children local history. His remarks were humorous. In response to these addresses I. M. Graham, Dr. McAdoo and Rev. Sanner spoke.

Prominent in the delegation of 129 persons from Pittsburg were Rev. Bishop Whitehead, of the Episcopal Church; Hon. Boyd Crumrine, of Washington, Pa., a noted lawyer and former State law reporter, Postmaster Davis of Pittsburg; Burd Patterson, Esq., secretary of the Historical Society, and a lineal descendant of Capt. James Burd who fought the battle of Loyalhanna and won a victory over 1,400 French and Indians. More than 60 of the British soldiers were killed, wounded and missing in this battle. Mr and Mrs. Marsh were present. Mrs. Marsh is at present regent of the Pittsburg chapter, D. A. R.; also Colonel and Mrs. Samuel Arman, the latter being a lady prominent in the national society of the D. A. R.

In September the Historical Society will make a pilgrimage to Bushy Run. The chapter at Detroit, Michigan, is named "Louise St. Clair" chapter after General St. Clair's daughter.

CHINKS GIVEN WHITE WOMEN TEACHERS

Requires One To Save Each Soul of a Chinaman Over In Greensburg.

GREENSBURG, Pa., July 26.—A complete disruption of the Sunday school of Chinamen in the First Methodist Episcopal Church of this town was threatened the other day when the council of the church withdrew the young women teachers.

Upon the formation of the class, promoted by Tom Sing, an Americanized celestial, it was decided to place a young man teacher in charge of the pupils, but the Chinamen demurred and refused to attend another session of the class unless and American women would teach them. They insist also on a teacher for each pupil.

That demand had a tendency to stagger the council, but the Chinamen won out, because it was considered that as the class sessions were held in the Sunday school room and only on Sunday mornings there could be no objection to the plan proposed by the Chinamen.

The class consists of seven or eight Chinamen and each has a private woman tutor.

TODD ON AMENDMENTS.

Must Be Published on Ballots as Ten Separate Provisions.

HARRISBURG, Pa., July 23.—In an opinion handed down today Attorney General Todd decides that the ten amendments to the State constitution to be voted on in November need not be published on the ballots except in their amended form.

They must be published as 10 separate amendments, the voter having the choice of disapproving or approving of each one separately.

The Weekly Courier, $1.00 a year.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

Dates Arranged for Meetings in this and Adjoining Counties.

Deputy Secretary of Agriculture A. L. Martin has just completed the lists of movable institute schools and instructors and farmers' institutes and county chairman for the fall and winter. The dates and places for holding institutes in Fayette county are as follows: McClellandtown, December 3 and 4; Vanderbilt, December 6 and 7; Mill Run, December 8 and 9: T. H. Smith, Dunbar, R. F. D. No. 32, County Chairman.

Somerset county, Rockwood, January 3; Stoyestown, January 4; Movable School at Somerset, November 29; December 2, J. C. Weller, Rockwood, R. F. D. No. 2, County Chairman.

Westmoreland county, New Alexandria, January 3; Madison, January 5, and 6; New Kensington, January 14 and 15; M. P. Shumaker, Greensburg, County Chairman.

MAN HELD FOR FOR ASSAULTING GIRL

Testimony That Little Everson Child Was Brutally Taken Advantage Of.

SCOTTDALE, July 26.—Joseph Jones, a young man of about 23 years of age, of Everson, was held for court by Justice John C. Brownfield of East Scottdale, as the result of an alleged attack on Gertrude Hollis, aged between 14 and 15 years on Saturday shortly after 9 o'clock. It was testified that Jones met the little girl as she was going up the Baltimore & Ohio railroad tracks above the Everson station on her way to her home in East Scottdale, and threw her to the ground.

She screamed for help and Frank Yannick, who was on the West Penn viaduct, a short distance above and saw the occurrence, rushed to her aid, but her attacker had fled. The little girl's throat was scratched and her lips had a big bruise where the brute struck her when she made the outcry. Her clothing was torn and covered with ore dust from along the tracks and she was suffering severely from the fright of her awful experience.

Constable Adam Brown arrested Jones as the man accused of the crime at one of the Everson pool rooms. It is said that Jones had on a light suit when Yannick saw him and hurried home and changed his clothes and got back to the pool room. Yannick who knows Jones well identified him positively as the one he saw attacking the little girl. Constable Brown took his prisoner to the Scottdale lockup and he was given a hearing before Squire Brownfield. Jones said that he was with the girl and admitted to the Justice that he kissed her, but denied making the attack described by her or indicated by her clothing and person, and which Yannick said he saw.

An effort was made on the part of Jones' friends to have the matter compromised, but the Justice would hear to nothing of the sort and committed the young man to jail for the court to pass upon the case. Constable Brown took him to Uniontown this morning.

COST OF STRIKES.

"Is the Game Worth the Candle?" Is the Query.

Two and a half millions of dollars is the tremendous toll paid by the American Federation of Labor for strikes during the 12 months ended September 30, 1908, according to the report of its Secretary, says American Industries. And even more impressive is the result secured through the expenditude of this sum. The strikes numbered 861, of which 365 are reported as succeeding, 210 compromised, 62 pending and 105 lost. The other 119 are not accounted for. The whole number of persons reported as benefited by this direct strike expenditure of $2,448,000 was about 72,000 making the per capita cost $34. When there are added to this the heavy indirect expense, the family embarrassments and annoyances, the stoppage of credit and the long worries in paying debts contracted during the strikes, it is pertinent to ask as a contemporary points out "was the game worth the candle?" to say nothing of the demoralization among workers which strikes always cause.

CORNERSTONE LAID.

Evangelical Association Will Erect Church at Poplar Grove.

The cornerstone of the new Evangelical Association Church at Poplar Grove was laid Sunday afternoon with impressive ceremonies. Rev. J. W. Richards of Johnstown had charge of the services, assisted by Rev. W. E. Bassett of South Connellsville and Rev. Alex Fisher of Hammondville. Rev. Fisher is pastor of the new charge.

Following the laying of the cornerstone a subscription was taken up among the members of the church, $261 being realized. The church has been holding services in the Washington school but recently purchased a building near Bear Rocks and had the structure moved to Poplar Grove.

Censured; Tries Suicide.

Ed. Neff of Greensburg, employed as a deputy at New Kensington was censured by Sheriff Shields for hooting strikers and placed in the lockup. While there he attempted to hang himself with his shirt. He was taken to jail with the handcuffs that were used on the Biddle boys.

THOUSANDS SEE TROOPS IN CAMP.

Crowds Flock to Somerset From All Western Pennsylvania Points.

BRIGADE REVIEW IS FEATURE

This is Attraction Second Only to Presence of Governor on Tuesday. Impressive Services Held by Chaplains During the Day.

SOMERSET, July 26.—Yesterday was Somerset's gala day. Thousands upon thousands of visitors flocked into the town on dozens of special trains from all over Western Pennsylvania. The mess tents were taxed to capacity and more than one larder went empty after the guests had been taken care of.

Connellsville was well represented. Nearly a thousand people came from the center of the coke region; some by train, others by auto. Company D and the Regimental Band were the centers of interest for the coke region visitors.

Twenty thousand interested spectators secured points of vantage about the parade grounds of the Second Brigade National Guard this afternoon, when the brigade review furnished a military spectacle second in point of magnificence to but one other event scheduled for the week, the Governor's review next Tuesday. With his staff Brigade General Willis Hullings watched from a knoll in front of his headquarters every command in the brigade pass in the review. The massed bands occupying a position near the center of the parade grounds, played while the infantry, regiments, cavalry troops, Battery B, signal corps and the regular army detachments detailed to the camp marched by.

Religious services were conducted by each of the regiments. Of special interest were those held by Chaplain George J. Russel of the Eighteenth regiment, who delivered his farewell sermon after six years of service. Chaplain Russel, formerly assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Pittsburg, has accepted a call from the First Church of South Hampton, Mass.

Col. Albert J. Logan gave a brief address, touching upon Chaplain Russel's faithful service and the affection between him and the men.

While all other services were held yesterday, those of the Tenth regiment were conducted by Chaplain Henry W. Temple, professor of history, of Washington and Jefferson College, at 7.30 o'clock this evening. He took his text from the second chapter of I. John: "I have written to you, young man, because you are young and strong." He said:

"Religion is not only for aged or infirm, but for the young and strong. Religion for the young and strong must not be pious twaddle."

Chaplain John V. Royer of the Fifth regiment dwelt upon dangers and temptations of camp life and the importance of keeping clean.

Lieutenant George C. Marshall of the regular army this afternoon gave a lecture at the brigade headquarters for field officers on map reading and a demonstration of the war game.

The entire camp has been suffering from a shortage of water, the two wells from which the supply is drawn having proved inadequate. The trouble will be rectified tomorrow morning. Gen. Hullings takes the situation philosophically.

"Gen. Grant accomplished pretty good results with his army," he remarked, "and I never heard of him having it piped to his various regiments."

A tactical ride of regimental field officers will be a feature of the camp tomorrow.

COUNTY OFFICERS GOT BOX WITH MONEY IN IT

But Owner, D. M. Beeghley, Came Along Before They Had It Very Long.

UNIONTOWN, July 23.—While County Commissioner John S. Langley and former County Commissioner A. J. Stentz were driving along a Wharton township road near Gibbon Glade yesterday they stumbled over a box which was in the road, right side up. Investigation disclosed copies of daily papers, half a dozen crates of berries, a pair of gold rimmed spectacles, half a pint of "licker" and a money bag containing $96 in bills.

There was no means of identifying the property so the officers took it in their buggy. They had driven about three miles when they saw D. M. Beeghley, a prominent huckster of that region, walking slowly towards them, looking carefully on both sides of the road for his missing crate.

Beeghley was greatly relieved when he learned the men had the box. He thanked them in an enthusiastic manner after finding the contents safe.

Skeleton Wrapped Up.

The finding of a human skeleton at Carmichaels, Greene county, has caused great excitement. The skull contains a bullet hole. The bones were wrapped in paper and thrown on a pile of rubbish near the road.

CRISSMAN-TARR

Daughter of Dr. Crissman Marries Westmoreland Man.

At the Fort Pitt Hotel, Pittsburg, Thursday evening took place the marriage of Miss Nellie Crissman, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George D. Crissman, formerly of Beaver, to Fox David Tarr of Greensburg. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father, Dr. Crissman, and was witnessed only by members of the immediate families of the young couple.

Miss Crissman is an Allegheny College girl and for two years has been instructor in English and German in Beaver College, where he rfather has been president. Rev. Crissman formerly preached at West Newton and Scottdale. Mr. Tarr is a son of Mr and Mrs. Phillip Tarr, of Tarr Station.

Mr. and Mrs. Tarr left that night for a trip East and will be at home after October 1 in East Otterman street, Greensburg.

SERIOUS CHARGES SET OUT BY COMMONWEALTH

Particulars Filed Against Cashier Ward and Co-Defendant In Coal Centre Bank Case.

WASHINGTON, Pa., July 22.—That the defendants conspired to defraud the Bank of Coal Center of vast sums of money by various unlawful schemes, is the charge made in the bill of particulars filed yesterday by District Attorney C. L. V. Acheson, in the case of Frederick Ward of Pittsburg and Clifford H. Drum of Coal Center, which will be tried at the August term of court.

It is charged that after Drum had been elected cashier Ward became a depositor in and a heavy borrower from the bank, obtaining large sums of money without the loans being approved first by the directors, or later reported to them by the cashier of the bank.

It is claimed Ward and Drum agreed that Drum should violate an act of Assembly by engaging in the purchase and sale of stocks and in other occupations, aside from his business as cashier.

THIS MAN A GENIUS

Ed. Ruff Has Novel Way for Putting up His Hay.

Ed. Ruff, of near Luxor, Westmoreland county, has a novel way of putting up his farm's crop of hay. Not having a barn in which to stow away his hay he has to stack it, and to facilitate matters he conceived the following plan: He selected a big monarch oak in a convenient location and proceeded to put thereon his contrivance. He had two big joists each about 30 feet long spliced together with bolts, and swung out from the tree on hinges and on the lower side of the joists he placed a hay track. To additionally support the heavy timbers he dropped two steel mine cables from the branches of the tree, connecting the joists in as many places. The track is safe and unerring and, as is to be supposed, never sags. By this means Mr. Ruff and his men can pull off a load of hay with horses in practically no time. The track can be swung around to three sides of the tree and as many stacks can be easily built at is foot. The contrivance has attracted widespread attention among the farmers of the surrounding country.

UNIQUE REMINDER.

Boys of the Fighting Tenth Being Kept in Mind of Coming Reunion.

The invitation committee for the Tenth regiment reunion has issued the third of a series of photo cards to the members of the old regiment urging them to be at the Greensburg reunion August 13.

The last card shows a war-time scene in the trenches near the church de la Loma, where the boys lived in improvised shelter from February 4, 1899, to March 26, 1899. The picture shows the scrubby trees and the rice dikes typical of the country in which the Tenth boys did their soldiering, hunting the elusive Filipino.

The reverse side of the card bears the following: "Make no engagement for August 13th. You must be in Greensburg at the Reunion of the Tenth Pennsylvania Infantry, U. S. V."

OFFICE ABOLISHED.

No Longer a Master Mechanic on the P. & L. E.

D. J. Redding, Master Mechanic of the Pittsburg & Lake Erie and President of the Pittsburg Railway Club, has been appointed Assistant Superintendent of motive power to assist L. H. Turner, Superintendent of Motive Power. The office of Master Mechanic is abolished and Mr. Redding went into his new position yesterday.

The reason for the change is to lighten the duties of Mr. Turner. Hereafter all road foremen of engineers, engine dispatchers, engine house foremen and engineers and firemen will report to him and all communications relative to enginemen and engines will be addressed to him.

REUNION WAS A BIG SUCCESS.

Gathering of the Jarrett Clan Near Pennsville A Big Event.

JOHNSTON GETS A DIAMOND

John Jarrett is Presented With a Purse Containing $85, and the Occasion is Made a Notable One by the Large Number Present.

One of the largest and most enjoyable family gatherings held in this section for some time was the sixth annual reunion of the Thomas D. Jarrett families held on Friday at the home of John Jarrett on the J. T. Johnston farm, near Pennsville. Surrounded by 90 guests, including children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, and a few intimate friends Mr. Jarrett celebrated his eighty-fifth birthday anniversary. Mr. Jarrett is well known throughout Westmoreland and Fayette counties having spent the greater part of his life in Scottdale. For several years he resided in Uniontown with his daughter, Mrs. J. J. Rist. He now resides with another daughter, Mrs. Emma Jennewine of Scottdale. The guests with well filled baskets commenced to arrive early in the morning and by 10.30 o'clock all had arrived. After their arrival, Rev. R. B. Mansell, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Scottdale, in behalf of the children, grandchildren and greatgrandchildren, presented Mr. Jarrett with a purse containing $85. Attorney A. E. Jones of Uniontown then in behalf of those present presented J. T. Johnston of Connellsville, a personal friend of the Jarrett families, with a very handsome diamond and pearl scarf pin. Short talks were given by Rev. A. J. Ashe of Connellsville, and Rev. J. B. Risk of Uniontown.

Arrangements had been made to serve dinner and supper in the large orchard but owing to the inclement weather long tables ladened with all the delicacies of the season were arranged in the large barn. The guests returned home about 8 o'clock. Mr. Jarrett enjoys excellent health considering his age and was one of the happiest of those present. The children present were Mrs. J. J. Rist and family of Uniontown; Abner Jarrett and Mrs. Edward Lynch of Olean, N. Y.; Judson Jarrett and family, Walter Jarrett and family of Pittsburg; H. D. Jarrett and family, C. M. Jarrett and wife, Mrs. Emma Jennewine and daughters, Oliver Jarrett and family of Scottdale; Mrs. Mary Jones and family, and John Jarrett and family of Pennsville. Other guests present were Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Ashe, J. T. Johnston of Connellsville; Rev. J. B. Risk of Uniontown, and Rev. and Mrs. R. B. Mansell of Scottdale; Mrs. Frank Strickler and two children of Newell, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown and baby, Frances; Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Woodward and two children, Attorney and Mrs. A. E. Jones and children of Uniontown.

Wheat at $1.25.

Wheat is being quoted in many towns at $1.25 per bushel and is hard to get. Local dealers say they have none on hand.

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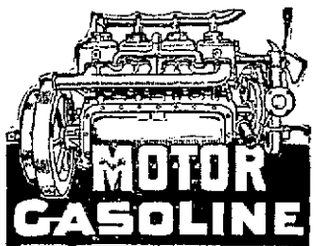

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FOREIGN BANK IN T. & T. CO.

Connellsville Company Extends the Scope of Its Business Here.

JULIUS VIRO IS IN CHARGE

Board of Directors of the Title & Trust Company Decided the Matter at Recent Meeting and New Departure Will Begin Within a Week.

A new departure will be inaugurated as soon as possible by the Title & Trust Company of Western Pennsylvania when, within the next week a foreign department will be opened in connection with the general banking business of the company.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors it was decided to open a foreign department and preparations were immediately taken looking towards that end. Although the matter was suggested by President L F Ruth it met with unanimous support on the part of the Directors of the institution.

Just now the First National Bank is the only institution having a foreign department and before the First National took up the matter the private banks conducted by foreigners were the only places where the large foreign population of Connellsville and vicinity could transact its business in a satisfactory manner.

Julius Viro will have charge of the Title & Trust Company's foreign department and the necessary changes in the interior arrangement of the bank are being made. The foreign department will have its office in the room formerly occupied as a private office by President L F Ruth. Mr Ruth taking up quarters in the Directors room.

DECISIONS EXPECTED SOON

In The Cases of Mt Pleasant Bankers Who Appeal Cases

MT PLEASANT, July 27—Decisions by the United States Court of Appeals in the cases of C E Mullin, former cashier of the Farmers & Merchants Bank of this place and E S Stienman, convicted with him of misapplying funds belonging to the bank and sentenced to serve five years each in the Western Penitentiary, are expected shortly by the officers of the Pittsburg Federal court.

Both men were sentenced on January 16 last by Judge James Young of the United States District Court, after an extended and hard fought trial. H K Hissem the aged and feeble president o the bank which closed its doors because of their manipulations was convicted at the same time as an accomplice in the misapplication of $40 000 but sentence was not imposed in his case because of the ill health of the defendant. Mullin and Steinman appealed their cases immediately and were released on bonds of $10 000 each. Hissem being under similar bail. Judge Young has announced that he will make no final disposition of Hissem's case until the appeal of the other two is decided. They say that their conviction was irregular and ask the higher court to set the verdict of the jury aside. The court will not sit again until October but as the cases have already been argued the judges may hand down their decision a[illegible] time.

MARRIAGE IS DECLARED VOID

Harry E Watt Had a Wife Living When He Married Woman at Cumberland

UNIONTOWN, July 27—On recommendation of John Duggan, master in the divorce proceedings of Daisy P Watt against Harry E Watt the court yesterday made an order declaring the marriage of the couple null and void. They were married at Cumberland Md August 23 1905 but it developed that Watt had a wife living at the time from whom he had never been legally separated. Mrs Watt No 2 learned this fact and left Watt. Subpoenas and alias subpoena were returned non est inventus and after the testimony of a number of witnesses had been taken to show that Mrs Watt had no means of learning of Watt's previous marriage the annulment was recommended. The order was filed with the Prothonotary yesterday.

The court yesterday revoked the appointment of John Duggan Esq as master take testimony in the case of Annie Lazarchik against Michael Lazarchik for divorce. It develops that a mistake led to Mr Duggan's appointment. Another divorce action is pending whereby Mary Lukacik sues Joseph Lukacik. This action was returnable July 10 but the Lazarchik case became confused with the other through the similarity of names and the appointment of a master, which should not have been made until Saturday was made on that date. The order of court revoking the appointment of Mr Duggan names D E Bane as master. Mr Duggan is the master in the Lukacik case.

A petition for the dismissal of the auditor appointed to adjust the funds arising from the sale by Sheriff of the Fairchance hotel, of which James H O'Hara and John R. Ramage were the owners was dismissed yesterday and an order of court confirms the sale. The property brought $21 000 at the Sheriff's sale, but the former owners contended the price was far too low. The Fayette Title & Trust Company was plaintiff against O'Hara and Ramage.

In the case of Margaret Aldridge against the Baltimore & Ohio railroad in which a verdict for $867 75 was returned for the plaintiff under binding instructions, an order was made yesterday sustaining a motion for a new trial, in which it was maintained that the testimony adduced at the hearing did not justify the verdict nor the binding instructions to the jurors.

J W Dawson Esq was yesterday appointed master to take testimony in the divorce action of William H Burkholder against Sarah Burkholder. The respondent has not made an appearance.

In the suit of William S McClay against Christian Carrie M and Wade H Echard associated in the McClelland Echard Coke Company, an affidavit of defense was filed on the part of the defendants maintaining they do not owe the plaintiff $301 2[illegible] but admit they do owe him $100 having paid $50 on the contract price of plaintiff's services. The claim is for work done in the laying out and construction of a coke works and the defendants claim McClay has not completed his part of the contract.

BADLY CRIPPLED.

Patrick Carnish Loses Six Fingers in Planer at Mt Braddock

Crippled for life Patrick Carnish aged 2[illegible] was brought to the hospital at noon from Mt Braddock with three fingers from each hand so badly mangled that their amputation will be necessary.

Carnish was employed as a car repairman in the shops of W J Rainey at Mt Braddock. He was planing a board this morning about 10:15 when his hands became entangled in the machinery. Before the power could be shut off both hands had been slashed by the sharp knives of the planer.

As quickly as possible the injured man was placed on a street car and hurried to the Cottage State hospital at this place. He had been employed in the Rainey car shops for some time and was regarded as a careful workman.

The board which was the indirect cause of the trouble was being planed down on a power planer to meet the requirements of a car being repaired. The board had gone through the planer almost to the end when Carnish gave it a shove to push it all the way through. He waited an instant too long in withdrawing his hands and they were caught in the machinery. Workmen standing near grasped the situation in an instant and threw off the power but it was too late to save the man from being permanently injured.

At 2 o'clock Carnish was still on the operating table at the Cottage State Hospital. His injuries are very serious and the operation on both hands was of such a delicate nature that but slow progress was made. Owing to the nature of the injuries it is said that the shock may result seriously for the victim.

Pietro's Auto

Thomas Pietro shipped his automobile the 10 ton roller used in leveling of newly paved streets [illegible] Morgantown to Mt. Pleasant Tuesday afternoon.

Mistaken Identity Again

The hippos that attacked former President Roosevelt did not know who they were running up against.

A recent visitor said that in location environment healthfulness and splendid buildings the Lock Haven Normal School was unsurpassed in the entire State. This is high praise but he might have added that in scholarship and in equipment the school is also in the front rank. Write for catalog.

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September Jurors.

UNIONTOWN, July 26—The Grand Jury will sit the first Monday in September and the Petit jurors will serve the weeks beginning the 6th and 13th of September. At the close of the second week the term will be adjourned and the Traverse list will hear cases during the second and third weeks of November. The Grand Jurors are

Grand Jurors

Barclay, Daniel laborer N Union 4
Baker, K H farmer Springhill township 2
Cratt Elijah farmer Luzerne township
Conn Playford farmer, Springhill township
Divvens Nathan merchant 4th Ward Uniontown
Densmore John R timberman North Union township No 1
Doyle James M merchant 1st Ward Connellsville
Frank, Lewis farmer Luzerne township
Goodman Samuel merchant 4th Ward Connellsville
Henesty Frank barber South Brownsville
Harbaugh John farmer Stewart township
Hickel William O S painter Fairchance
Hazel William J P Wharton township 3
Johnston Lester N agent Pt Marion
M[illegible]k Benjamin laborer North Union township 1
Opp[illegible] Charles superintendent Redstone township
[illegible] Albert J tobacconist South Brownsville
Rush Charles W hotelkeeper Brownsville
Ridgway Joel engineer Springhill township
P[illegible] John S teacher Franklin township
Stoltz P[illegible] chauffeur 3rd Ward Uniontown
S[illegible] Paul[illegible] laborer North Union township 4
S[illegible] William T, banker Mt [illegible]town
Smithley George Dunbar twp 1
Snair, Carl New Haven
Springer Fred German twp 3
Umbel, Wm I N Union twp 1
Winston Wm L 4 W Uniontown
Watkins Rufus N Union twp 4
Woodward Fred N Union twp 2
White Michael Dunbar twp 1
Williams Robert Fayette City
Whetsel John F Fayette City

Petit Jurors—First Week

[illegible]

Petit Jurors—Second Week

[illegible]

Hackney [illegible] Dunbar twp 1
[illegible]
Gildein Charles [illegible] twp 1
Geisler John D Dunbar twp [illegible]
Hill Cyrus A Dunbar twp
Hunt Alexander W Dunbar twp 3
Hibbs Irwin A W Uniontown
Hibbs J[illegible] N Union 1
Irk Calvin N Union 4
Irwin Thomas Dunbar twp 6
Johnston Willard H Nicholson twp 1
Johnston Henry Brownsville
Johnston John C S Union twp 1
J[illegible] William W Uniontown
King Charles W 3 W Uniontown
Kearns Alex B Springfield twp 2
Kremer Guy W Redstone twp 2
Lynch William N Jefferson twp 1
Lanchester Luke S Brownsville
Miller George R N Union twp 1
Mead James I Fayette City
Martin Albert J Perry twp 1
Miller J Hiram Menallen twp 2
Moore James C 2 W Connellsville
Milligan John Bullskin twp 2
Miller Samuel P Springfield twp 1
McBurney Howard R Dunbar twp 2
McGuire Thos H 2 W Connellsville
McDade Wm R Menallen twp 3
Neal Harry Bellevernon
Pegg William Menallen twp 1
Pomeroy Walter Brownsville
Rankin David C Wharton twp 1
Rush Evans Ohiopyle
Stumpf Craig 4 W Uniontown
Shriver George H Pt Marion
Shaw Wm A Menallen twp 1
Strickler Harry Dunbar twp 2
Smiley Daniel Dunbar borough

Traverse Jurors—First Week

Abraham Don Smithfield
Anderson Martin, S Brownsville
Anderson Frank P, Dunbar
Archibald Isaiah Menallen twp 1
Brown Geo H Connellsville twp 1
Burnsworth Newlin Stewart twp
Burns Patrick Dunbar twp 6
Bixler, David Everson
Benson Robert Smithfield
Brown Lewis A German twp 2
Bosser Perry Nicholson twp 1
Brownfield Basil B Georges twp 1
Bong Wm Fayette City
Conway James Washington twp 1
Coffman David C Bullskin twp 3
Cook Charles O S Brownsville
Chalfant James S Brownsville
Clark Marshall S Union twp 1
Chalfant Hugh Washington twp 1
Dean Stark Dunbar borough
David Thomas W Georges twp 3
[illegible] Edward Everson
Elkins Hugh S Union twp 2
[illegible] Thomas New Haven
Franks W Scott Dunbar twp 1
Foust Frank [illegible] twp 2
[illegible]
[illegible]
Wilk[illegible] George Perry twp 1

Traverse—2nd Week

[illegible]

FAYETTE COURT RECORDS.

Deeds Recorded Marriage Licenses and County Expenditures.

Isaac P J[illegible] and wife to John M Friend and [illegible] for lot [illegible] Luzerne township [illegible] 1909

[illegible]

R[illegible] Wychoff and wife to Republic Iron & Steel Company for [illegible] in Redstone township [illegible] May 1909

[illegible] Morgan and husband to [illegible] Brown and husband [illegible] lot in [illegible] Uniontown $[illegible] June [illegible] 1909

Charles C O'Bryon and wife to [illegible] W Dawson [illegible] South Union township $7[illegible]

John W Kins[illegible] and wife to [illegible] Kuhns for two lots [illegible] Uniontown $1 00

William J Soisson and wife to H B Moor for [illegible] township $[illegible] 00 August [illegible] 1909

[illegible] Antrim and others to [illegible] Fritz for lot [illegible] New Salem $1 September [illegible] 1908

Mary F Antrim and others to Mary Fritz for lot in Antrim plan New Salem $1 00 September 30 1908

Mary A Shipley and husband to Redstone township [illegible] Redstone township [illegible] July 18 1909

Emma White and husband to Mary J Morris for lot in Uniontown $600 April 1[illegible] 1909

Mary Cunningham to Paoli Gianetti for lot in New Haven $300 July 10 [illegible]

James D Moyes and others to James D Porter for land in Henry Clay township $500 October 2[illegible] 1906

Melzenia Weltner to Dr E R Ingraham and wife for lot in Masontown $1 June 16 1909

Robert O Keeney to Monongahela Stone Clay & Brick Company tract of 8[illegible] acres and strip of tram road right of way eight by 30 feet and tram road in North Union township $45 000 July 19 1909

James R McGregor and wife to O P Markle and [illegible] Frink for lot in North Union township $[illegible] July 1[illegible] 1909

Edward [illegible] White to P [illegible] White for lot [illegible] Co [illegible] Connellsville $1 July 1[illegible] 1909

The [illegible] Point Marion Improvement Company to J [illegible] Foster for lot in [illegible] addition to Pt Marion Springhill township $[illegible] June [illegible] 1909

Mary Jackson and husband to [illegible] W Stecke for ground in Mill Run $[illegible] June [illegible] 1909

Connellsville Building and Loan Association to [illegible] Kurtz for lot in Greenwood $[illegible] 00 June 1[illegible] 1909

Marriage Licenses

William Henry and Roxanna Willoth of [illegible] Haven
Harry Reppert Martin and Madora Housaker both of Masontown
Jose[illegible] Rhod[illegible] of York Run and [illegible] Sutton of Georges township
[illegible] Osborne and [illegible] to John Shaw [illegible] Menallen township
[illegible] Williams of [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] Billett [illegible] Morgantown W Va
[illegible] Billett and Mary O'Donnell both of Morgantown
Owen C C[illegible] and Nellie B H[illegible] ford both of New Salem

County Expenditures

[illegible]

Star Suspends Publication

[illegible] the Evening Star was [illegible] J [illegible] Rt mour [illegible] Uniontown [illegible] Saturday [illegible] It was [illegible] suspension [illegible] business.

Orphans Court Sale

ESTATE OF [illegible]

[illegible]

TERMS OF SALE—[illegible]

CHARLES M [illegible]
THOMAS M [illegible]
FRANK R [illegible]

[illegible] Executors

Auditors Report

AUDITORS REPORT OF NEW HAVEN BOROUGH SCHOOL [illegible] year ending June [illegible] 1909

Receipts

[illegible]		$ [illegible]	
State appropriation		[illegible]	
Taxes 1906 duplicate		[illegible]	
Taxes 1907 duplicate		[illegible]	
Taxes 1908 duplicate		[illegible]	[illegible]
Tuition			148
Sale of [illegible]			4
Balance overdrawn			50 00
			[illegible]

Expenditures

Teachers salaries	$4[illegible]
Teachers [illegible] attending institute	7[illegible]
Books and other [illegible]	[illegible]
Repairs [illegible] improvements to building	[illegible]
Fuel [illegible]	[illegible]
Interest on [illegible] building bonds	[illegible]
Light	[illegible]
Insurance on buildings	[illegible]
Water rent	[illegible]
Truant officer's salary	[illegible]
Auditors	[illegible]
Publishing auditors report	[illegible]
Secretary's salary	100 [illegible]
Safe deposit box rent	[illegible]
Dues to Directors Association	[illegible]
Repairs to fences and grounds	10 [illegible]
Total	$71[illegible]

Resources

Balance due on 1904 tax duplicate	$ [illegible]80
Balance due on 1906 tax duplicate	[illegible]4 08
Balance due on 1907 tax duplicate	1,[illegible]57 54
Balance due on 1908 tax duplicate	1 525 28
Balance not indebtedness	1 3[illegible]7 29
Total	$4 [illegible]00 00

Liabilities

Nine $500 bonds	$4 [illegible]00 00

[illegible] SMUTZ
C [illegible] SNAIR
[illegible] Auditors

July 29 [illegible] 2tw

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE Connellsville Borough School District for year ending June [illegible] 1909

Receipts

Cash on hand June [illegible] 1908	$ [illegible]	
Less [illegible] outstanding	[illegible]	$18[illegible]
State appropriation regular	$ [illegible]	
High school	[illegible]	$ [illegible]
Taxes—1907 duplicate	[illegible]	
1908 duplicate	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tuition—High School	[illegible]	
Grade	[illegible]	[illegible]
Insurance rebate		[illegible] 10
[illegible] sold		[illegible]
[illegible] sold		[illegible]
Money borrowed on notes		4100 00
[illegible] purchased by students		19 44
Total		$ [illegible]

Expenditures

Teachers [illegible]	$[illegible]
[illegible] attending institute	[illegible]
[illegible] books	[illegible]
School supplies	[illegible]
Building supplies	[illegible]
Repairs	[illegible]
Improvements	[illegible]
School furniture	[illegible]
Janitors salary	[illegible]
Printing	[illegible]
Secretary's salary	[illegible]
Truant officer's salary	[illegible]
Fuel, light and water	[illegible]
Bonds and interest	[illegible]
Payment [illegible] to [illegible]	[illegible]
Carnegie Free Library	[illegible]
[illegible]	470 00
[illegible] expenses	117 09
Expenses attending Directors convention	[illegible]
Flagging [illegible] Second Ward building	2[illegible] 00
Balance [illegible] paid J C Fulton [illegible] Second Ward building	2[illegible] 00
[illegible]	45 00
Dues Directors Association of Fayette county	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Telephone service	[illegible]
Total	$[illegible]
Balance cash on hand June [illegible] 1909	8 147
	$ [illegible]

Resources

Cash on hand June 1 1909	$ [illegible]47
[illegible] B Brown collector [illegible] duplicate	[illegible]
Balance net indebtedness	[illegible]
Total	$[illegible]

Liabilities

[illegible] bonds	$[illegible] 00
[illegible] building bond	[illegible] 00
[illegible]	[illegible]
Total	$[illegible]

We the undersigned auditors of the [illegible] of Connellsville [illegible] have examined the books and accounts of the Treasurer of Connellsville [illegible] District for the [illegible] and find them correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

J C WHITLEY
W R [illegible]
J D [illegible]
Auditors.

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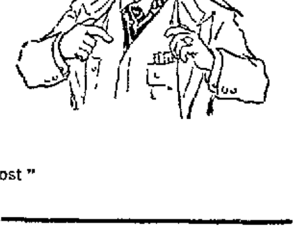

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UNIONTOWN, PA.

SUES TO RECOVER FROM AN ESTATE.

Mrs. Goodwin Alleges That She Was Not Paid an Allowance.

ARE MEMBERS OF OLD FAMILY

Mrs. Goodwin Married Dr. Goodwin Secretly Years Ago, and Then Went to Ireland—When She Came Back He Had Taken a Wife.

UNIONTOWN, July 23.—An interesting case, involving members of one of the old line families of Southern Fayette county, is revived in the action started by Mrs. Annie Goodwin against Charles P. Goodwin, executor of the last will and testament of the late James R. Goodwin, the father of Annie Goodwin's husband. Her husband's name is Dr. J. R. Goodwin. He is a practising physician in the township and country districts out back of Smithfield and belongs to the old and highly respected Goodwin family so well known in this county.

Charles P. Goodwin was named as executor when the senior J. R. Goodwin died about a year ago. The estate was a very large and valuable one. Mrs. Annie Goodwin claims $958 with interest on the amount, so calculated as to keep the jury that gets it going for a long time to determine the amount to which she is entitled if she wins. She claims this money for the support of her daughter Annie, a girl of about 16 years of age, as the result of an order of court made by Judge S. L. Mestrezat in 1895 when the mother brought action for the support of the child. It will be remembered that these parties were in such a case as this in court here last December. At that time unusual interest attached to the case because of the fact that the doctor had built up a fair practise out in the country many had either never learned of the case or else had forgotten it.

But Mrs. Goodwin had not forgotten. She testified last spring that the doctor was a medical student in Philadelphia, when she was a seamstress in a house nearby, and that they became well-acquainted and he married her. The couple did not do much housekeeping, however, for it was agreed that she leave immediately following the ceremony and go to visit her mother in Ireland. Meanwhile the doctor was to graduate not say anything about the wedding until he had gotten his diploma and a good start in his professional career. She says that he did not get along at first quite as rapidly as he had expected, but that, she believed his reasons so given, and stayed in the old country for a year or more, looking forward to the time when he would tell her to come back to America, where he would have a home and a handsome competence to take care of her and her child, who had been born abroad.

After a while, realizing that she was not getting back to America very quickly, and learning that her husband was sick, she came to America, first having worked a while to earn enough for crossing the ocean. When she got to America she learned that he had gone west in an effort to regain his health and start over again. After appealing to some friends and working some more, she started west and met him in a small town near Illinois. He put her and the child in a hotel and stayed with them a while. She says that she discovered that he had previously secured a divorce without her knowledge, it evidently having been granted upon failure to locate her, if any efforts to do so were made.

Mrs. Goodwin also claimed that she found a ring in the doctor's pocket with another woman's name engraved therein; and great was the surprise of everybody when she flashed the ring in court last winter, nearly 10 years after having found it in his coat at the hotel. About the time the divorce was discovered by her out west she says the doctor started on a long eastern trip and came to this region and across the mountains into West Virginia, near Bruceton, taking with him, she claims, the other woman. This other woman died over there, and was buried in the West Virginia mountains some time before Mrs. Goodwin had time to raise funds to come east to find the husband. When she got to Bruceton her husband had moved down into the southern part of the State. The determined wife came back to Uniontown, and several efforts were made to locate the doctor at that time—about six years ago—but failed. She sewed for a living and then went back to Philadelphia.

Last winter, learning that the doctor had settled in his old home region, she decided to come back here, and did so, arriving here on winter night with less than enough money to get a place for the night. That was in December, and she immediately sought assistance. It takes some time to get the little formalities of county assistance attended to, and during the interval Sheriff P. A. Johns kindly gave her money for lodging at the Salvation Army hall, and was about to escort her there, when she happened to inquire if a woman who had sheltered her on a similar occasion 10 years ago still lived there. She had forgotten the woman's name, but Mr. Johns knows everybody, and though the woman had moved to another street, he sent the friendless woman and child there, where they were accorded shelter as long as they needed it.

When Mrs. Goodwin had instituted the first desertion proceedings in 1895, the doctor was then declared to be in destitute circumstances and in accordance with an act of assembly providing for such cases, the court made an order upon the father of the doctor, and the grandfather of the child, Anna, was ordered to pay to the mother the sum of $16 maintenance, and $2 per week thereafter until further orders. J. R. Goodwin, Sr., seems to have obeyed the order from June 1, 1896, until November, 1898. Then for some reason the payments were shut off.

Charging that she has received no maintenance since that time, a period of 494 weeks to June 1, 1908, and asking that the sum of $2 per week, with interest thereon, as the several amounts became due, they being payable monthly, she has brought suit.

Last winter when the desertion and non-support case was revived against Dr. Goodwin he was sentenced by the court to pay the wife $35 per month for the support of the child, and Charles P. Goodwin went his bond in the sum of $500 to perform the same. The defense, when the doctor has been in court, usually has been that he is not worth as much as his wife says, that he has not a lucrative practice because he is in ill health, and cannot build up one, and that while he may be worth something from the estate of his father that this is tied up until his mother dies.

The child, the principal object of the troubles, is one of the brightest and most attractive children that ever was brought into court, and her appearance there was the occasion of considerable comment, and the court was visibly affected by the demeanor and appearance of the little girl at the time. The court made the order for the full limit of the law providing for such cases, and it is said expressed regret that the full sworn income of the father—about twice that amount—could not be ordered paid over.

It is not known what the line of defense will be in this action against the executor, as the executor is not supposed to file any affidavit of defense in matters of this kind brought against the estate.

Approving the application for charter Gov. E. S. Stuart has returned to the court house for record the papers in the matter of the Uniontown Shoe Company, a newly organized concern. The application sets forth several things of interest. The concern is to be a wholesale house, and will buy and sell at wholesale, boots, shoes, rubber goods and leather and all other goods usually kept and handled in the conduct of a wholesale shoe store. The incorporators are three well known Uniontown men. J. A. Rockwell has 50 shares, W. H. Feather 12, and I. M. Jones 40 shares of the stock, the par value of which is $100. The concern is capitalized at $25,000. J. A. Rockwell is the treasurer and has received the usual first 10 per cent payment on capital stock. Directors are J. G. Harris, Uledi; A. L. Clovis, New Salem, and Messrs. Feather, Rockwell and Jones.

Denying that they owe the money sued for in an action of assumpsit started some time ago by the West Penn Oil & Gas Company, the Star Gas Company, through counsel, Attorney T. P. Jones, filed its affidavit of defense Thursday afternoon. The plaintiff had put in a claim for $333.33 for gas consumed, and the defendant had admitted the debt, and explained its non payment as due to the plaintiff's refusal to accept the voucher made out for it. Later on the plaintiff discovered that the defendant had used $1,100 worth more of gas. The voucher was refused because the company claimed that there were four days' gas supply not included therein, as per contract. The defense explains these matters in its reply.

In the divorce proceedings of Mary C. Shumar against her hubby, Jimmie W. Shumar of Smock, Attorney C. A. Rhoads, the master who took the testimony on June 24, the woman has been given the benefit of the testimony adduced and the divorce was recommended by the master, who filed his report on Thursday.

ENGINEERS' STATISTICS IN GOOD VOLUMES

County Surveyor J. B. Hogg is Having Data Transcribed for Preservation.

County Surveyor J. B. Hogg has his men at work transcribing the county records into durable volumes. This work has been under way for sometime past and good progress is being made. Mr. Hogg says if the matter had not been given attention when it was, hundreds of valuable maps would have been lost or destroyed.

The Freeman Lewis surveys are being worked up now. Mr. Lewis worked on the county maps from 1836 to 1853 and had a reputation for painstaking plan drawing. He shares with the late A. J. Gilmore the reputation of being among the most careful County Surveyors Fayette has ever had.

As the old surveys were becoming mutilated and were barely legible, the attorneys who need this data in making up deeds have expressed appreciation that the records are being transcribed in permanent form.

Fishing Good.

Reports from the upper Yough section say that many bass have been caught the past few days.

RODNEY, ARSON SUSPECT, FREE.

Released Under $5,000 Bond After Habeas Corpus Hearing This Morning.

CAUSED MASONTOWN BLAZE?

Evidence Against Him Is Not Strong and Idea of Incendiary Origin is Losing Ground—Louis Miller is on Way Here to Answer.

UNIONTOWN, July 21.—Aaron Rodney, who was arrested yesterday, charged with arson and suspected of having caused the conflagration at Masontown, was released on $5,000 bail this morning, Jacob Davis going on his bond.

The evidence, it is said, is not strong against either Rodney or Louis Miller, the proprietor, who is on his way to Uniontown from Pittsburg to give himself up and answer the information made against him. Rodney was released upon a habeas corpus hearing instituted before Judge Van Swearingen by Attorney H. D. Leonard.

The theory now is that the fire was not of incendiary origin but started in the restaurant. There is only a four-inch partition between the restaurant and the store and it is believed the fire might have originated back of the stove and burned through.

There is no evidence against Miller. He retired at the Hotel Leroy at 10 o'clock Monday night and did not awake until after the fire had been discovered. Upon retiring he left the key to his store in the office for Rodney, who was to have opened up in the morning.

FILTHY MOUTHED TRAINMEN SPOTTED

Officers Will Break Up the Use of Obscene Language to Boating Parties on the River.

Complaints made by those who take outings on the Monongahela river at Fairmont against certain trainmen of the B. & O. have caused orders to be issued instructing local officers to look out for and arrest, if possible the offenders.

On several occasions recently, it is said, employes of the railroad company, while passing boats filled with ladies have used obscene and ungentlemanly language. This practise it is said has become so prevalent that many who enjoy rides on the stream have remained away from the sport. The proprietors of the local boat liveries are severe in their condemnation of the practise and they have joined their patrons in asking the officers to break it up.

County and city officials will, it is said, attempt to catch some of the culprits and make an example of them. Officers in plain clothes will be stationed along the river and the number of the engine and train that bears one of these alleged blaspheming crews will be taken. High officials of the company promise to give the names of the men on the run.

The practise, is is said, is not general but is confined to certain crews whose work takes them along the banks of the river. Others are entirely innocent of the charge and the complaints made do not tend to implicate them.

BOROUGH LABORERS STRIKE AT LIGONIER

The Street Workers Go Out on Account of a Reduction in Their Wages of 25 Cents.

At a recent meeting the Ligonier Borough Council reduced the wages of the laborers from $1.75 per day to $1.50 per day and at a special meeting held by the Council a petition from the men was sent in to Council but the petition was not read and considered. The next morning the men refused to go to work at the wages and no one has been employed since except the Street Commissioner and one boy. The men who have been working declare that they will not permit any strike breakers to work. It looks however, at present, as though the State police would not need to be called upon to preserve order. The men think they are right in refusing to work for less than $1.75 and the Council thinks that $1.50 is sufficient. As a consequence the borough is without laborers and the men without work.

Head Nurses' Examining Board.

HARRISBURG, Pa., July 23.—Dr. William S. Higbee of Philadelphia was yesterday elected President of the newly appointed State Board of Examiners for the Registration of Nurses. Miss Roberta M. West of Erie was chosen Vice President and Dr. Albert E. Blackburn of Philadelphia, Secretary-Treasurer. Until June 1, 1910, all persons having qualifications under the act need not be examined for registration.

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COURT ROUTINE.

Minor Matters Disposed of at the Regular Weekly Session.

UNIONTOWN, July 21.—In the matter of a public road in Franklin township, it was ordered that objections Nos. 2 and 7 to the report of viewers be sustained, with the proceedings quashed and the petition dismissed at cost of petitioners. There were 18 exceptions filed in the matter, one sustained being that the petitioners did not file bond with petition, as should be done before viewers are appointed, the subsequent proceeding being void. The other exceptions say that the viewers' report recites that the proposed road passes over Colonial Coke Company property only, and that the viewers had failed in an attempt to receive its release; whereas the Pittsburg Coal Company is the owner and was when the view was made.

A subpoena in divorce was issued Tuesday in the case of Sandar Gyary against Lydia Gyary.

In the case of Margaret Aldridge against the B. & O. Railroad Company a new trial was asked by the defendant who alleges that the court should have given binding instructions for the defendant and that it erred in doing so for the plaintiff. McDonald & Cray are the Baltimore & Ohio attorneys.

In the case of John S. Patterson against Sarah E. Houseman an order has been made directing judgment to be entered for the plaintiff for the premises described in the writ. She failed to file in her statement certain abstracts necessary.

Ridge Brothers have filed their defense in the suit of William Ritenour. The sum of $150.90 is involved. This is a dispute over material in a contract for the erection of a barn and other buildings and a road near Vanderbilt. The contract as set forth by the plaintiff, together with the defendant, is denied.

PHYSICIAN HAS VERY NARROW ESCAPE

Dr. Louther of Somerset Collides With a Train After Coming Down Steep Hill—Other News.

SOMERSET, July 22.—Dr. Snyder L. H. Louther, a well known physician of Somerset, had an exceedingly narrow escape from death under the wheels of a rapidly moving freight train near Cupps' Crossing in Somerset township yesterday afternoon. The doctor and his son, Richard, were driving along the road in an automobile. There is a sharp curve in the road a short distance from its intersection with the B. & O. tracks which renders it impossible to see the tracks. The Doctor stopped his car and endeavored to ascertain whether any trains were near, but did not hear any noise. He ran slowly down the hill and turned the curve a few feet from the railroad tracks, where he discovered an engine and cars about ten feet in front of his car. He managed to stop the car, but the momentum gained in descending the hill carried the machine to the tracks, where it was struck by the engine. The doctor's son leaped from the automobile and the force with which the train struck the machine overturned it and it fell upon the boy, seriously injuring him. No bones were broken and the lad is resting easy at this time. The automobile was ruined, the front being crushed like an egg shell.

On Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock fire was discovered in a small outbuilding owned by Michael Kifer. A sleigh, a sled and a cow were in the building, but were saved. The flames were extinguished but the building was ruined. The loss is small.

The Manufacturers' Water Company of Johnstown has filed petitions to the court and bonds to indemnify Simon Thomas and John J. Blough of Conemaugh township against such damage as the latter parties may sustain by reason of the construction of a reservoir and pipe lines on their lands by the water company. The company proposes to use three acres of Simon Thomas' lands in the construction of the reservoir and gave bond in $700, and for a right of way for a pipe line 2,014 feet in length over the lands of John J. Blough the bond was in the sum of $2,000.

SPECIAL ELECTION FOR POINT MARION

Want to Erect Public Building and Pave Streets and Are Short $7,000.

UNIONTOWN, July 22.—A special election will be held at Point Marion on Saturday for the purpose of determining whether the city shall issue bonds to the extent of $7,000.

It is the intention to erect a new public building and pave streets if the bond issue carries. The assessed valuation of the borough is $291,000. The total debt, including the proposed bond issue, would be $19,200.

COOL AS A CUCUMBER.

NEW CASTLE, Pa., July 23.—"Is that all? Why, I read that in the papers nearly a month ago," coolly remarked Rocco Racco in jail, when Sheriff Waddington read the death warrant to him setting his execution for September 23. Racco will be hanged for killing State Deputy Game Warden Selee-Houk.

THOUSANDS PAID FOR STATE ROADS.

County Meets First Bill of State for $16,755.79 on Work Done.

PAY ONE-EIGHTH OF COST

Township Pays an Eighth and State Three-Quarters of the Contractors' Bills—How the Debt Was Apportioned in the County.

UNIONTOWN, July 21.—The County Commissioners this morning paid the first bill of the State for the construction of State roads within the county. This work was taken up in 1904. The first bill, that was settled by the Commissioners, was for $16,755.79, or one-eighth of the total cost of construction. The townships benefitted are also assessed an eighth, the State paying the balance.

The townships share of the present bills is as follows:

Dunbar	$1,108.16
Luzerne	1,151.21
Menallen	1,025.88
South Union	1,215.22
South Union	1,043.41
Perry	2,002.30
Perry	1,58.20
Perry	2,078.84
North Union	1,091.12
Stewart	452.70
Vanderbilt Borough	1,012.[illegible]

There will be no civil court in September but an adjourned term will be held for two weeks in November to dispose of the civil list. There will be two weeks of criminal court in September. The Sheriff and Jury Commissioners were directed to empanel the jurors.

An old suit originating in 1903, was revived this morning with the filing of an amended bill by William Crennell, Jr. He claims $62,571 due him from E. D. Fulton as commission on the sale of West Virginia coal lands.

WAYNESBURG BANK TO PAY DIVIDEND

Receiver Strawn of Defunct Farmers and Drovers Institution Expects Distribution.

WAYNESBURG, July 23.—Receiver John H. Strawn of the defunct Farmers & Drovers National Bank went to Pittsburg yesterday on business relating to that institution. He remarked that he is arranging for a third distribution of funds among the depositors and claimants. He holds some securities which he wants to convert into cash to be added to the fund to be distributed, and as soon as this is done, the date of payment will be announced.

The receiver said he was figuring on a ten per cent dividend or payment, and when made this will make 50 per cent paid depositors and claimants. Then will follow other payments, possibly as much of the assigned real estate and coal properties remain to be converted into cash for distribution. When the bank failed it was stated that it would almost pay the depositors in full but as the slow months have dragged themselves along it now looks as though the funds would fall considerably short of the "full" payment prediction.

It is to be hoped that conditions will arise as to bring about a good result which would be very acceptable to claimants. It was learned in a conversation with the receiver sometime ago that after one more dividend was paid that the only assets of the bank then remaining would be the Rinehart property, and what is realized from it would be the last dividend paid the depositors.

DROVE FIRST HERD OVER SUSPENSION BRIDGE

John F. Gump Visits The Courier Office and Revives Old Memories.

John F. Gump, who lives on a rural free delivery route out of Uniontown, dropped in The Courier office the other day to pay his subscription to The Weekly Courier, he being a constant reader thereof.

Mr. Gump claims the honor of being the first man to drive cattle across the old suspension bridge across the Youghiogheny river. Mr. Gump was about 13 years old at the time and says that in the year of 1859, as well as he can remember, he drove 200 head of cattle and 1,150 head of sheep over the structure, which had not been completed. It was necessary to lay planks across the framework. The tolls charged amounted to $5.

Mr. Gump is now 66 years old hale and hearty and with many years yet ahead of him, if he maintains his present health.

Buys Brownsville Paper.

BROWNSVILLE, July 22.—A. L. Cochran, formerly of Pittsburg, has purchased the Clipper-Monitor and tok charge as editor and manager last week. Mr. Cochran has for several years been connected with the Associated Press at Pittsburg. He is preparing for improvements in the paper and may shortly issue a daily. He will move his family here soon.

ANOTHER NEW CASE.

Dr. R. A. Gans Sends Samples of Rocks Works Water.

Another new case of typhoid fever was discovered Thursday at Rocks works, near Searights, where in 27 house in the past three weeks 25 people have been stricken by the disease. All the patients are doing well and are expected to recover.

Six samples of the water were sent to the state chemist at Philadelphia yesterday by Dr. R. A. Gans, who is attending the patients. In a recent analysis of water from a 200-foot well there the chemist reported 200,000 typhoid bacteria to the cubic centimeter; another sample showed 12,000 bacteria to the same quantity and still another 22,000.

BIGGEST SNAKE STORY OF SEASON

150 Infant Reptiles Squirmed Out From Body of Big Copperhead.

FAIRCHANCE, July 22.—Ralph Goldsboro, on last Monday, while picking huckleberries on Ward Knob in the mountain killed a copperhead snake which measured three feet and seven inches and after the old snake had been killed 150 infant reptiles squirmed forth from the body of the old snake. All of the baby snakes which measured from two to four inches were captured and are now quietly reposing in a jar of alcohol at the Dunaway Pharmacy. Among the party of berry pickers present at the time of the killing were Ralph Goldsboro and wife, Mrs. Arthur Wilson and Miss Ethel Wilson. When the copper snake was discovered Ralph Goldsboro at once proceeded to kill it. After the snake had been killed a number of young snakes not more than four inches in length began wiggling from the dead body of the mother snake. Mr Goldsboro killed over 100 of these baby snakes and placed them in a bottle. After a time he went back to the spot where he had killed the old snake and found more young ones crawling about. He captured all of them and placed them in a bottle of alcohol and they numbered 150.

It is not commonly known that the mother snakes protect their young in this manner, but they do. After the young snakes hatch from the eggs the parent snakes shelter and protect them by swallowing them. When danger comes near the old snake opens her mouth and her young take refuge in her body.

SAVINGS AND LOANS MADE GOOD SHOWING

Baltimore & Ohio Has Increased the Rate of Interest—Many Participate.

The showing of the Savings and Loan features of the Baltimore & Ohio Employes' Relief Department for the fiscal year ending with June is a good one, reflecting as it does the betterment of conditions all round in railroad circles. The interest rate on employes' deposits for the year was restored to the old figures of five and a half per cent., an increase of a quarter per cent. The company guarantees four per cent. and the remaining 1½ per cent. represented the earnings on loans made employes for the purchase or building of homes.

The employes' deposits during the year totaled $932,592, which with the accrued interest of $236,625 added $1,169,217 in the twelve months. Withdrawals of $853,439 left $4,716,573 due employes at the end of the year a gain of $313,876. The loans made employes during the fiscal year aggregated $1,031,341 making the whole sum so loaned to June 30, $8,750,553. The manner of payment on these loans to employes, by the month, with interest computed only on the balance, brings the rate under 3¾ per cent.

Membership in the B. & O. Relief Department numbers 48,879, of whom 5,940 are depositors in the Savings feature, an increase of 267. With some 7,000 additional employes of the B. & O. Southwestern participating in relief features during the ensuing year the operations will be largely extended.

TOOK SOOTHSAYER'S ADVICE; IS ARRESTED

Jane Fell Went Through Window and Was Caught Returning With Bed Room Apparel.

UNIONTOWN, July 22.—Jane Fell didn't fall into the home of Mrs Belle Thomas, she climbed in instead. Mrs. Fell says she was told by a fortune teller that something for her would be found in Mrs Thomas' bedroom. Jane took a chance on the soothsayer's advice and landed in jail, because she was seen to crawl into the house by way of a handy window and emerge with sheets and pillow cases in her arms.

Following a hearing before Justice of the Peace John Boyle this morning she was held for court.

The Census District.

Pennsylvania will have 23 Supervisors' districts for the coming census. This is one of the States where the Congressional districts and the Census districts do not agree in number.

RAIN CAME AT PICNIC'S CLOSE.

Splendid Day at Olympia Up Until Time to Embark for Home.

FULLY 3,200 PEOPLE PRESENT

Day's Program Carried Out in Good Style and a Most Enjoyable Time Had By The Big Crowd—Prize Winners in the Races.

It was a tired but jolly crowd that returned home Thursday from the sixth annual outing of the Merchants' Association held Thursday at Olympia park. The day was an ideal one up until shortly after 6 o'clock when the outing was brought to an abrupt close by a heavy rain. Hundreds of picnickers were caught in the storm and as the result many picnic bonnets were ruined and made shapeless and dresses are now ready for the laundry. All the return trains arrived on excellent time, the first section leaving Versailles at 7 o'clock the schedule time. The first train leaving Connellsville in the morning made the trip to Versailles in an hour.

The crowd exceeded expectations. Owing to the Fourth of July celebration here it was not expected that the crowd would be as great as in former years. This proved wrong, however, for by the count of the turnstiles it was shown that more than 3,200 people flocked into the park. Over 2,500 people came from Connellsville and nearby points, while the McKeesport folks turned out in large numbers to help Connellsville make a big day of it. Financially the Merchants' Association did remarkably well, the dancing pavilion proving the stellar attraction from a financial standpoint. The dance hall was thronged with people from morning until night.

The outing was pronounced as one of the best and most enjoyable ones ever held by the Association. There was not an accident to mar the pleasure of the day and everybody had a good time. There were all kinds of amusements and not a dull moment during the day. Following the drawing of the piano in the morning there was a baseball game between the All-Stars of Uniontown and a picked team from Connellsville. A large crowd witnessed the game. The score was 3 to 1 in favor of Connellsville. Sharps pitched for Uniontown, and Sheetz and Jones worked for the local team.

At noon the picnickers selected pretty spots in the park and at once commenced to prepare dinners from well filled baskets. In the afternoon there were amusements enough to take up the time. The rolly coaster, the merry-go-round, the ferris wheel and the large swings were worked over time, while a large crowd was entertained with a good matinee at the park theatre. The dancing pavilion was crowded both morning and afternoon. Despite the fact that ladies were charged for dancing the crowd was a record breaker. Music was furnished by Kifer's orchestra. The ice cream cone man did a bumper business as did the cracker-jack and zigzag man.

The ball game in the afternoon between the McKeesport and Steubenville team drew a large crowd. The game was an interesting one, Humphries a former Charleroi pitcher, pitched for the McKeesport team. The score was 4 to 1 in favor of Steubenville. At 4 o'clock the remainder of the races were pulled off in front of the band stand. A large number of people from McKeesport assembled at the park in the afternoon to see their Connellsville friends and there were many happy meetings between friends who had not gathered together since the last year's outing of the merchants.

Many new amusements have been installed at the park since last year and a more ideal place could not have been selected by the merchants. Supper was eaten at 5 o'clock by many of the picnickers who were through eating and had their baskets put away when the storm came up. Too much credit cannot be given the merchants for the big success of the outing. To manage and arrange for a large outing such as the one held yesterday requires much time and work on the part of the committee. The free coffee and cream given out to the immense crowd by the merchants was highly appreciated by the picnickers. There was plenty for all.

Old man's race, first prize, J. Allen Downs; second prize, T. H. Hazen.

The result of the races in the afternoon was as follows: Fat man's race, first prize, F. C. Rose; second prize, T. Scott Dunn.

The prizes offered for the best quoit pitching were awarded to Harry Cummings, J. Allen Downs and J. M. Young. Being unable to persuade the fat ladies to enter the fat ladies' race was called off.

The judges in the morning were F. C. Rose and J. Allen Downs. In the afternoon, T. Scott Dunn, Jesse Arnold and A. W. Hager.

For the Census.

The Town Council has turned over to Borough Engineer J. B. Hogg several details, requested by the Census Bureau. These are being answered under Mr. Hogg's direction.

EXPLOSIVE MINE DUST AND GASES.

The Damage Done by Their Presence in Coal Workings.

GOVERNMENT REPORTS ON THEM

Coal Dust Shown To Have Played An Important Part in Big Accidents. First Touch of Cold Weather Has Influence.

To the widespread effort among mining men and scientists to lessen the dangers of explosion in coal mining the most recent contribution is an article by Roilin T. Chamberlin entitled "Notes on Explosive Mine Gases and Dusts, with special reference to Explosions in the Monongah Darr, and Naomi coal mines.". The paper is published by the United States Gelogical Survey which has begun a general investigation of the origin of gas in coal mines and the dangers due to the pressure of gas and coal dust, when the three terrific explosions mentioned, all occurring in December, 1907, diverted the inquiry for the time being to the more specific investigation of the conditions in these mines, on account of the exceptional opportunity afforded to observe the behavior of explosions on a large scale. Valuable inferences were drawn both from observation of the physical effects of the explosions and from analysis and study of gases and dusts collected in the mines.

Mr. Chamberlin describes experiments with coal bottled for long periods in a vacuum, to determine the rate of escape of methane and other inflammable gases, and reaches the conclusion, from various comparative tests, that the escape of fire damp into mines must continue very steadily for long periods of time from the solid coal as well as from distinct cracks and fissures leading back to storage reservoirs. Lack of ventilation in old workings may make the slow accumulation dangerous, but a much greater danger lies in rapid outbursts when a strong "blower" or reservoir of gas is encountered.

An interesting part of the report is the study of the deposits of dust in all parts of the exploded mines, indicating by their position the direction of the blast and the eddying currents and by their condition the character and causes of the explosions. Coal dust is shown to have played an important part in the propagation and extension of the flame.

Old coal dust, long exposed to the air, is shown to be less dangerous than fresh dust close to the working faces so far as its chemical qualities go. The contrary has been stated occasionally in mining literature, but definite experimental evidence leads to the present author's conclusion.

One of the chief lessons learned from the explosions in these mines was the influence of the first touch of cold weather on the danger of coal dust explosions. When summer air is cooled in a mine the condensation of moisture keeps the mine damp. When, with the approach of winter, the outdoor temperature becomes lower than that in the mines, the capacity of the inflowing air to absorb moisture increases and the mine is dried out. Hence, up to a certain point, the better the ventilation during winter the drier and more dangerous the dust in a mine becomes. As good ventilation is indispensable to proper mining conditions, some means of reducing the dangers incident to it is much needed.

The striking difference between the charred, the uncharred, and the fresh coal dusts, with regard to their percentages of shale, gives rise to a definite practical suggestion that the liability of coal dust to explode may be reduced by the admixture of a large amount of very fine shale or similar adhesive mineral matter. This method would give more permanent security than sprinkling with water, which is effective for a time. A coating of mud, clay, shale, or whitewash on the ribs and props must so bind the coal-dust particles to the coal or timbers as to prevent the dust from being stirred into the air in every-day mining operations. Whether shale dust on the entry floors alone is sufficient to check a dust explosion once under way can be told only by experiment.

UNIONTOWN MEN IN NEW COMPANY

Large Concern is Chartered to Develop Coal Field in Lewis County, West Virginia.

Secretary of State Stuart F. Reed of West Virginia has issued a charter to the Red Lick Coal & Coke Company, of Clarksburg, with chief works in Collins Settlement district of Lewis county, to engage in the coal mining business.

The capital stock is $74,945, of which $325 has been subscribed and $22.50 paid. The incorporators are Isaac G. Roby, Robert M. Carroll and Edward D. Brown of Uniontown, and S. B. Rotharmel and R. G. Weltner of McClellandtown.

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BIG CLAY VEIN

Is Developed on J. A. Stauffer's Place Near Scottdale.

SCOTTDALE, July 28.—When Scottdale Borough in the vain endeavor so far in finding a solution of where to locate the garbage furnace failed to take into consideration the offer which Jesse A. Stauffer made of the plot of seven acres standing on the top of the hill over from the furnace, they let pass an opportunity apparently for acquiring a property that would have likely proven a steady money maker, as well as a site for a garbage furnace, far removed from any possibility of creating any real or imaginary annoyance by its presence. Neither they nor Mr. Stauffer saw these possibilities at the time, or the one would not have likely offered the land, and if he had the other would have probably accepted. Mr. Stauffer is a well known coal broker living here.

As is now said the property has shown since the time it was offered to be the location of a particularly fine vein of clay, with consequent large possibilities of income to its owner. It is said that prospecting has revealed the presence of a vein of clay, about six feet in thickness, that is unapproachable for use in the United States Iron Pipe & Foundrey Company's pipe mills at this place. The clay has been mined and tested at the pipe mill and is said to prove to be perfect for the purpose of making cores, for the pipe moulding, and that a daily consumption will be made of it that will prove a bonanza to its owner.

Heretofore, clay has been brought in from a distance and at considerably more expense than will be necessary to bring it down from the hill a few hundred yards and deposit it on the pipe mill yards.

COAL LAND OWNERS ARGUE FOR REDUCTION

Leading Coal Men of Uniontown and Fairmont Appeared Before Board.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., July 22.—Practically the whole day was taken up today by the Monongalia board of review and the equalization with the hearing of prominent coal land owners and representatives of the larger companies owning thousands of acres of coal in this county. Without reference to any particular tracts of coal, the men appearing before the court spoke in favor of a general reduction on the valuations as assessed by Mr. Griffith and his assistants.

Among the more prominent men who were present and who spoke were J. V. Thompson of Uniontown, ex-Governor A. B. Fleming, Sweeney Fleming, Attorney George Alexander of Fairmont, J. C. Garard, J. J. Purman, F. W. Downey, J. H. Zimmerman, S. M. Smith, Frank Hoover and John L. Hood, Waynesburg; State Geologist J. C. White, Davis Elkins, General James C. Frazer, E. G. Donley, J. L. Hatfield, D. H. Courtney, L. S. Brock, H. R. Warfield and others of Morgantown.

The two principal speeches were made by J. V. Thompson of Uniontown and Governor Fleming of Fairmont, the former representing his own extensive interests, while the latter appeared for the Consolidation Coal Company, owning the big Millholland tract. The remarks of the coal owners were heard by an interested audience of business men and lawyers, nearly every seat in the county court room being occupied.

In speaking to the members of the board, Mr. Thompson called attention to the assessment figures on the Pennsylvania side of the State line, where coal is valued at about one-third the amount assessed against it on the Monongalia side of the line.

Governor Fleming argued that the present price of coal land is purely a speculative one and cannot properly be figured as the true and actual value of the property. The Fairmont men declared that Mr. Thompson has built up a market for coal land, creating a market and prices just as a stock broker would.

Short addresses were made by other prominent men appearing before the board. No action was taken by the board, the members paying careful attention to the remarks. In revising the figures the statements of the coal owners will be taken into consideration.

CHURCH TO SELL COAL.

North Ten Mile Congregation Will Accept Good Price.

At a meeting of the North Ten Mile Baptist congregation of Amwell township, Washington county, decided to sell the coal underlying the church property. There are 21 acres of the black diamonds held by the church and all will be disposed of.

J. A. Ray, representing the Pittsburg-Buffalo Company has offered $225 an acre for the coal and it is probable this offer will be accepted though an effort will be made to secure a better price.

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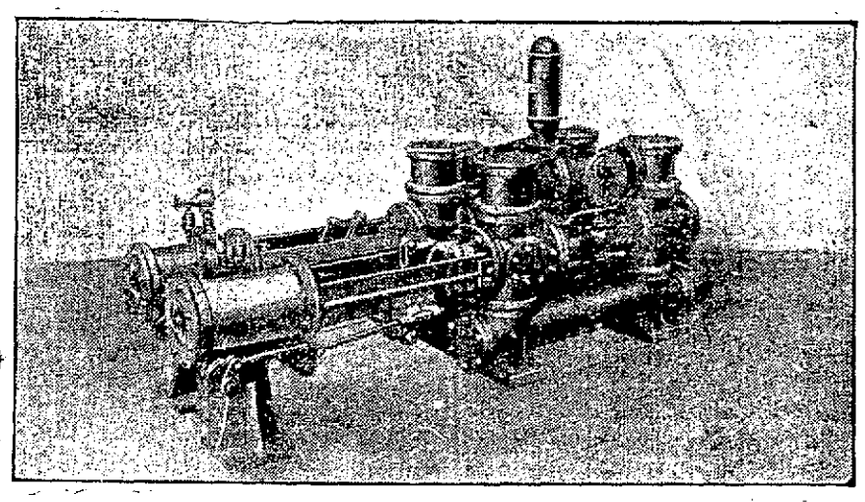

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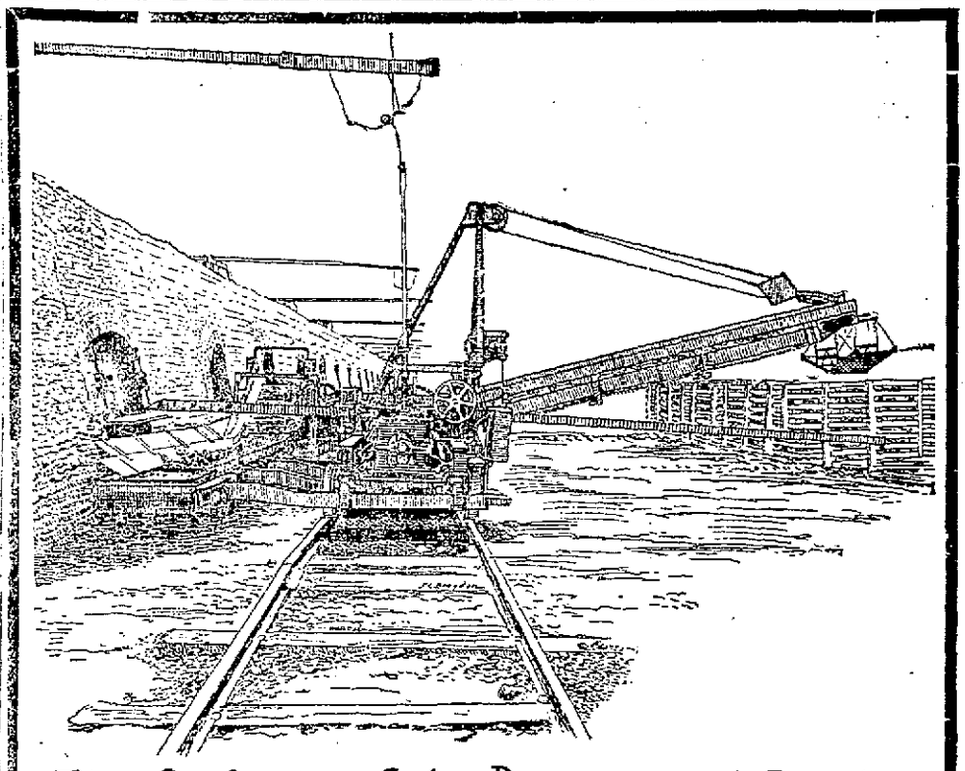

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